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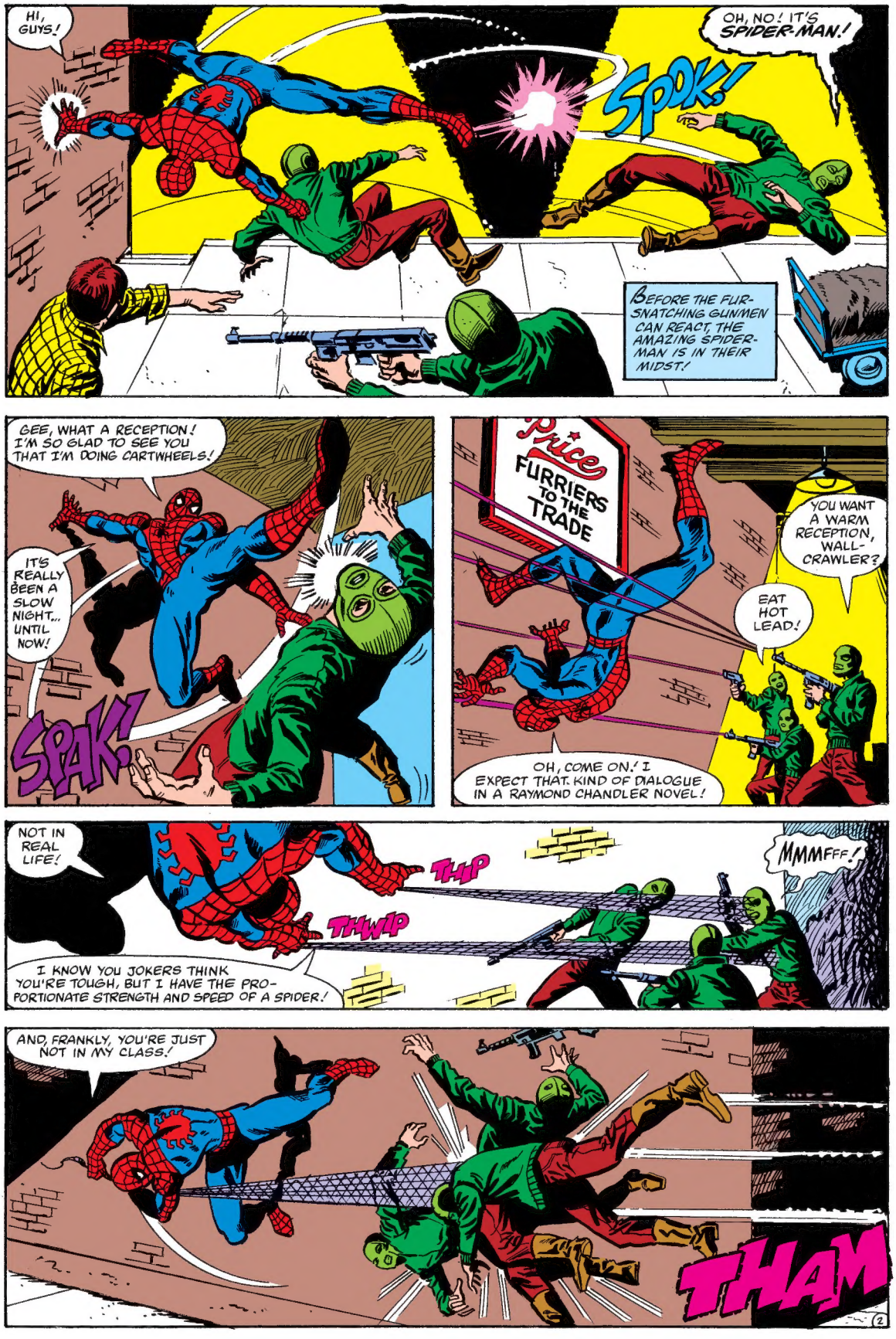
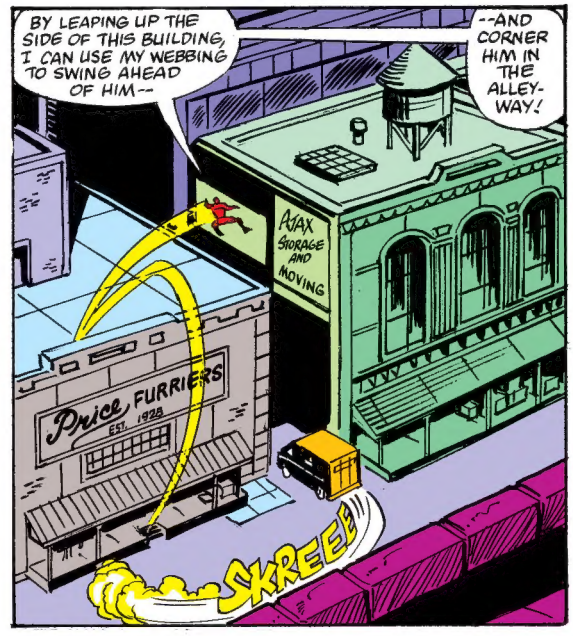
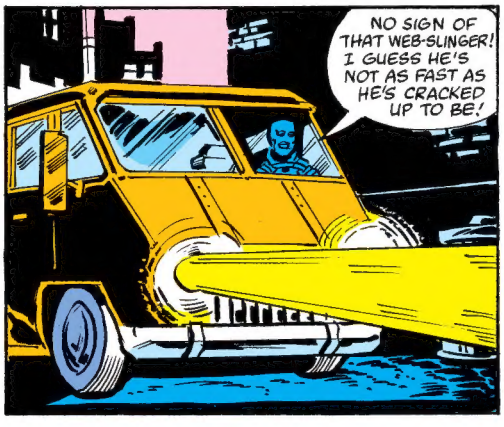
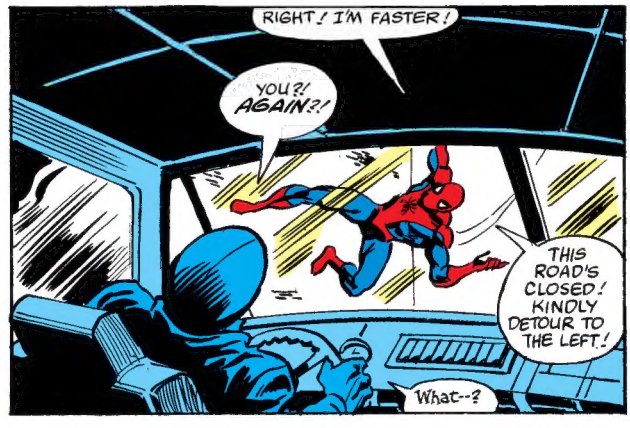
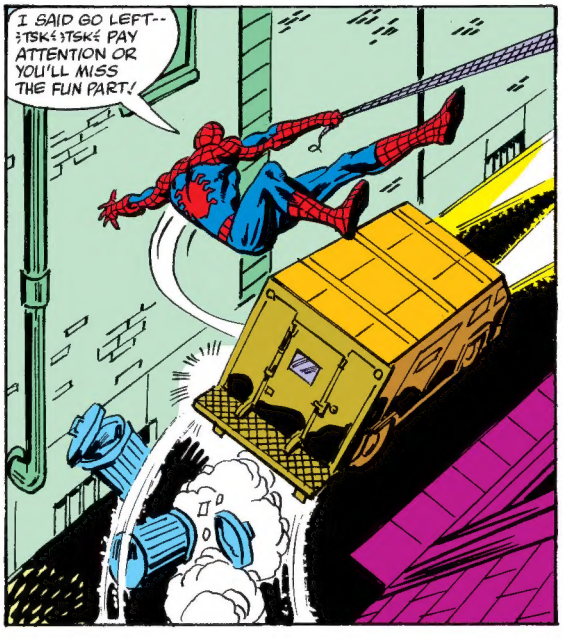

HI, GUYS!
OH, NO! IT'S SPIDER-MAN!
SPOK!
BEFORE THE FUR-SNATCHING GUNMEN CAN REACT, THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN IS IN THEIR MIDST!
GEE, WHAT A RECEPTION! I'M SO GLAD TO SEE YOU THAT I'M DOING CARTWHEELS!
IT'S REALLY BEEN A SLOW NIGHT... UNTIL NOW!
SPAK!
Price FURRIERS TO THE TRADE
YOU WANT A WARM RECEPTION, WALL-CRAWLER?
EAT HOT LEAD!
OH, COME ON! I EXPECT THAT KIND OF DIALOGUE IN A RAYMOND CHANDLER NOVEL!
NOT IN REAL LIFE!
THIP
THWIP
MMMFFF!
I KNOW YOU JOKERS THINK YOU'RE TOUGH, BUT I HAVE THE PROPORTIONATE STRENGTH AND SPEED OF A SPIDER!
AND, FRANKLY, YOU'RE JUST NOT IN MY CLASS!
THAM
2

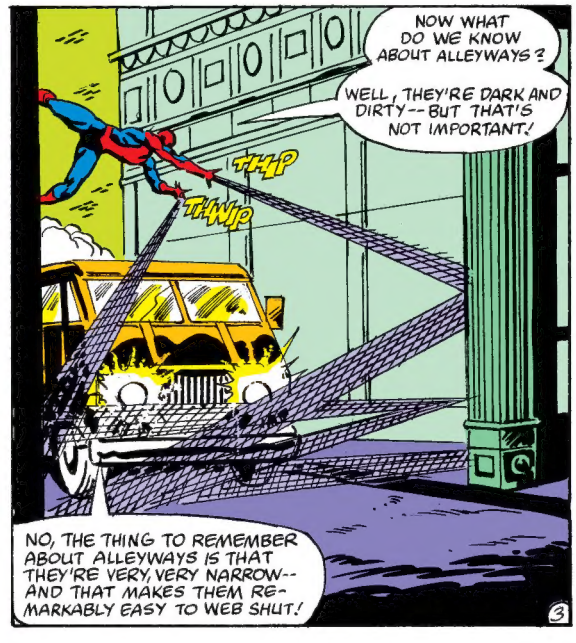
THE GANG LEADER-- HE'S GETTING AWAY IN THE ARMORED CAR!
THE MOTOR WAS LEFT RUNNING!
I'LL NEVER REACH HIM IN TIME!
VOOOMM
STILL, THERE'S MORE THAN ONE WAY TO SKIN A FUR-SNATCHER

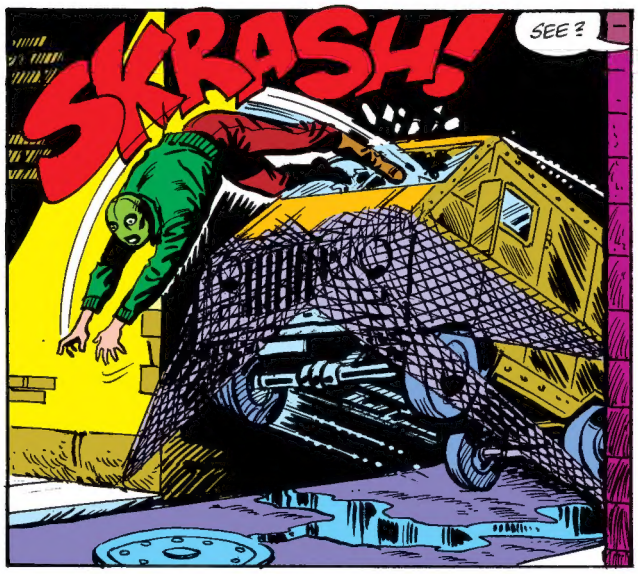

BY LEAPING UP THE SIDE OF THIS BUILDING, I CAN USE MY WEBBING TO SWING AHEAD OF HIM--
--AND CORNER HIM IN THE ALLEY-WAY!
AJAX STORAGE AND MOVING
Price FURRIERS EST. 1925
SKREEE


NO SIGN OF THAT WEB-SLINGER! I GUESS HE'S NOT AS FAST AS HE'S CRACKED UP TO BE!


RIGHT! I'M FASTER!
YOU?! AGAIN?!
THIS ROAD'S CLOSED! KINDLY DETOUR TO THE LEFT!
What--?


I SAID GO LEFT-- TSK! TSK! PAY ATTENTION OR YOU'LL MISS THE FUN PART!


NOW WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT ALLEYWAYS?
WELL, THEY'RE DARK AND DIRTY-- BUT THAT'S NOT IMPORTANT!
THWIP
THWIP
NO, THE THING TO REMEMBER ABOUT ALLEYWAYS IS THAT THEY'RE VERY, VERY NARROW-- AND THAT MAKES THEM RE-MARKABLY EASY TO WEB SHUT!

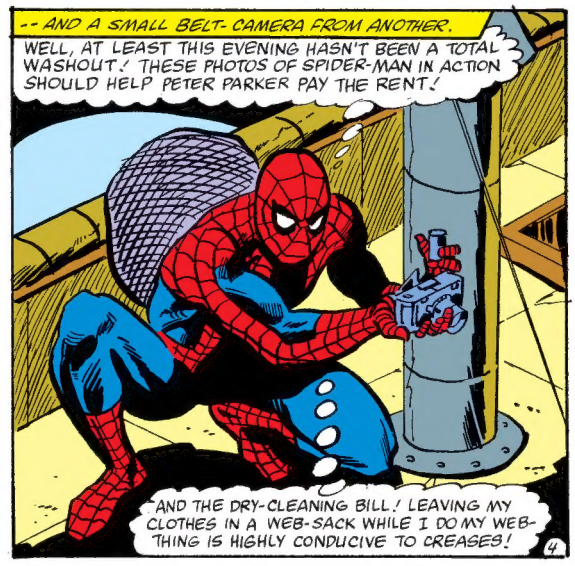

SKRASH!
SEE ?

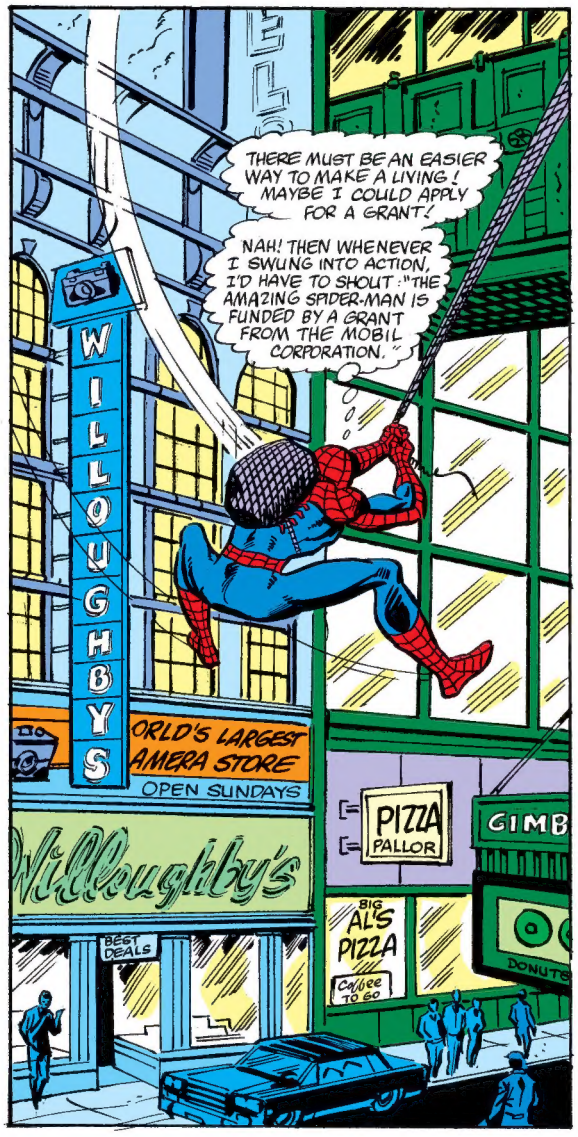
SO, REMEMBER-- SPEED'S NOT VERY IMPORTANT!
...WHEN THERE'S NO PLACE TO RUN!
CLASS DISMISSED!

SECONDS LATER...
YOUR MINKS ARE SAFE, GENTLEMEN! THEY'RE PARKED JUST AROUND THE CORNER!
CALL THE POLICE, WON'T YOU? I LEFT MY DIMES IN MY OTHER COSTUME!
Er... IS SOMETHING WRONG?

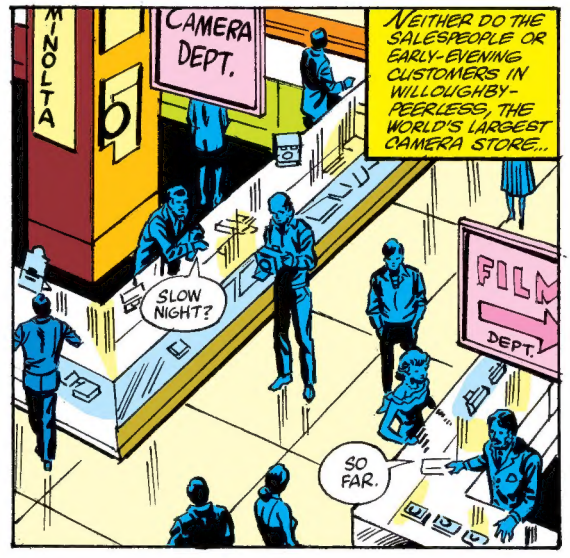
KEEP BACK! WE KNOW ALL ABOUT YOU!
YOU'RE A MENACE THE DAILY BUGLE'S SAID SO FOR YEARS!
YOU PROBABLY STOPPED THOSE HOODS SO YOU COULD STEAL OUR FURS YOURSELF!
I'LL COUNT TO TEN VERY SLOWLY--

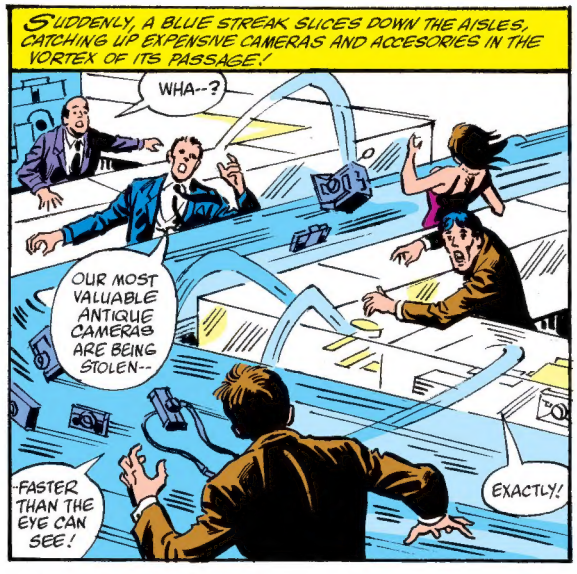
--AND THEN SWING AWAY BEFORE I TELL YOU WHERE YOU CAN STUFF YOUR FURS!
SUCH LANGUAGE WON'T BECOME A FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD WEB-SPINNER!
AS THE POLICE ARRIVE, SPIDER-MAN RETRIEVES A WEBBED BUNDLE FROM ONE ROOFTOP--

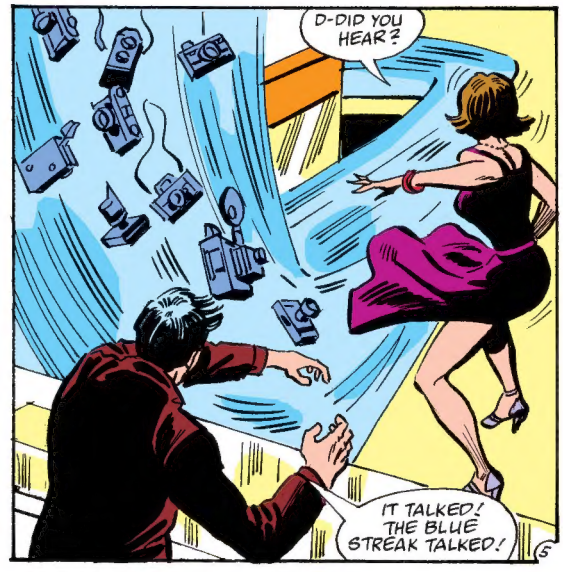

--AND A SMALL BELT-CAMERA FROM ANOTHER.
WELL, AT LEAST THIS EVENING HASN'T BEEN A TOTAL WASHOUT! THESE PHOTOS OF SPIDER-MAN IN ACTION SHOULD HELP PETER PARKER PAY THE RENT!
AND THE DRY-CLEANING BILL! LEAVING MY CLOTHES IN A WEB-SACK WHILE I DO MY WEB-THING IS HIGHLY CONDUCIVE TO CREASES!

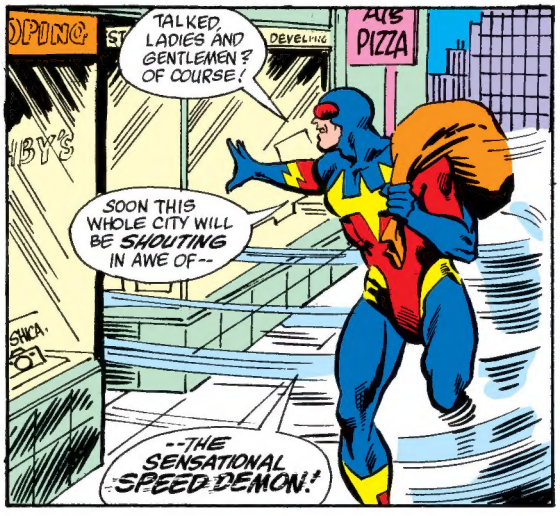

THERE MUST BE AN EASIER WAY TO MAKE A LIVING! MAYBE I COULD APPLY FOR A GRANT!
NAH! THEN WHENEVER I SWUNG INTO ACTION, I'D HAVE TO SHOUT: "THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN IS FUNDED BY A GRANT FROM THE MOBIL CORPORATION."
WILLOUGHBYS
ORLD'S LARGEST AMERA STORE
OPEN SUNDAYS
Willoughby's
BEST DEALS
PIZZA PALLOR
GIMB
BIG AL'S PIZZA
COFFEE TO GO
DONUTS

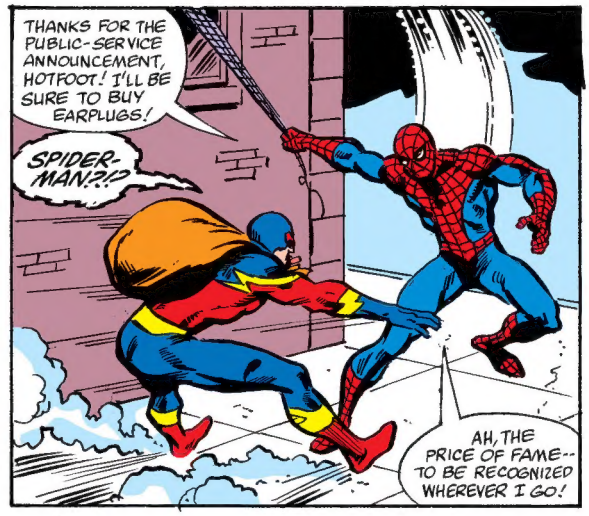
WHOA! NO SOONER DID I SWING OVER HERALD SQUARE--
--THAN MY SPIDER-SENSE WENT OFF LIKE A SMOKE-DETECTOR!
WORLD'S LARGEST CAMERA STORE
OPEN SUNDAYS
Willoughby's
SOMETHING'S WRONG--BUT I DON'T SEE WHAT!

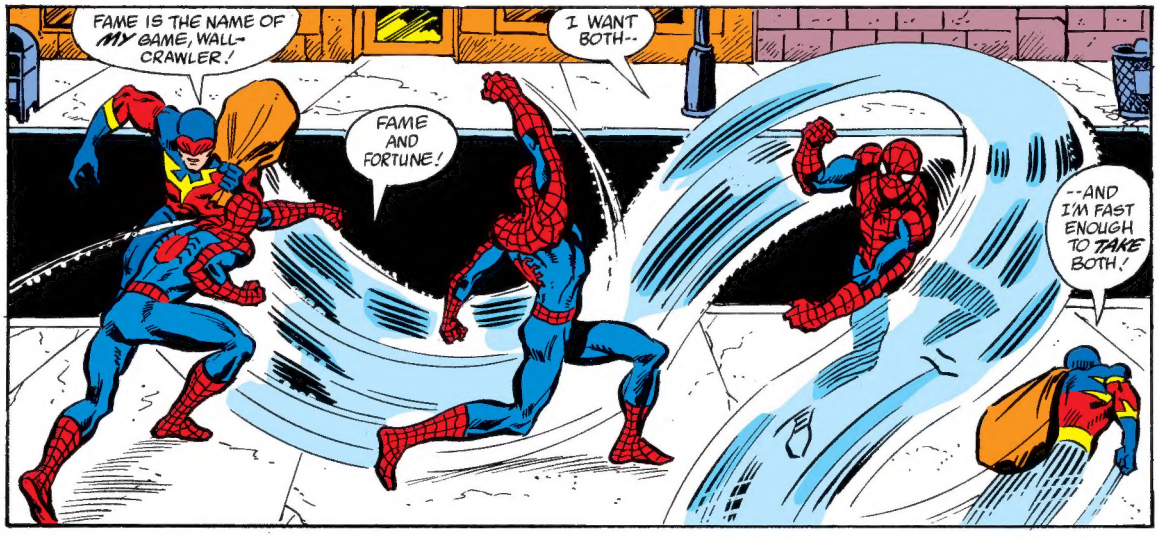

MINOLTA
CAMERA DEPT.
NEITHER DO THE SALESPEOPLE OR EARLY-EVENING CUSTOMERS IN WILLOUGHBY-PEERLESS, THE WORLD'S LARGEST CAMERA STORE...
SLOW NIGHT?
FILM
DEPT.
SO FAR.

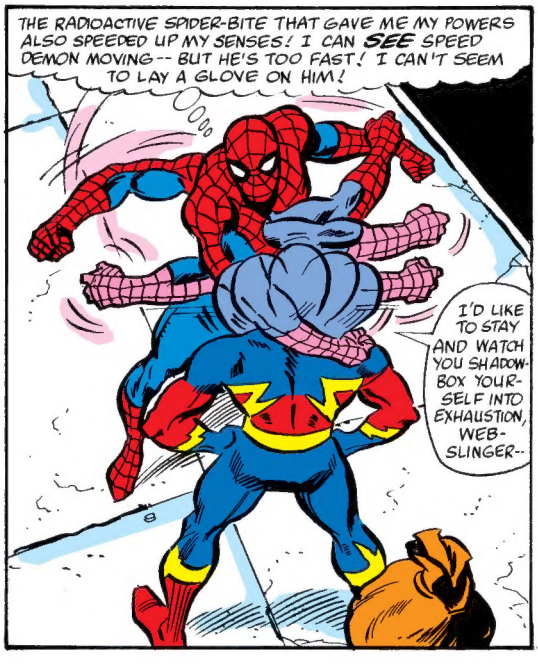

SUDDENLY, A BLUE STREAK SLICES DOWN THE AISLES, CATCHING UP EXPENSIVE CAMERAS AND ACCESORIES IN THE VORTEX OF ITS PASSAGE!
WHA--?
OUR MOST VALUABLE ANTIQUE CAMERAS ARE BEING STOLEN--
--FASTER THAN THE EYE CAN SEE!
EXACTLY!

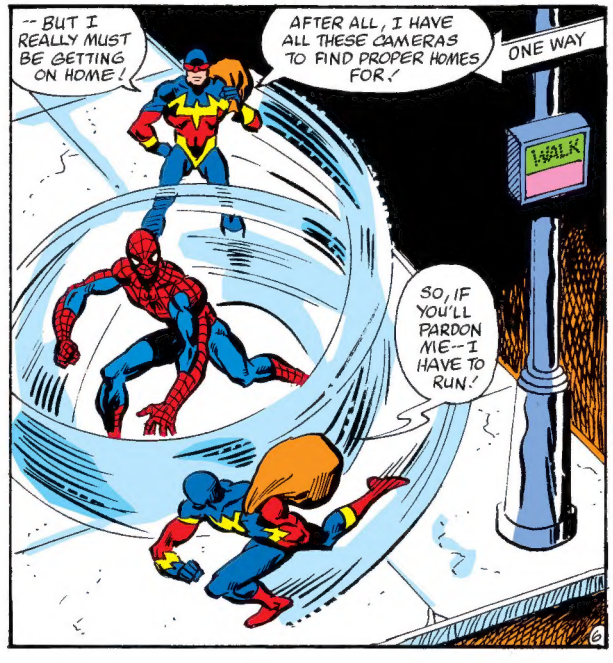

D-DID YOU HEAR?
IT TALKED! THE BLUE STREAK TALKED!

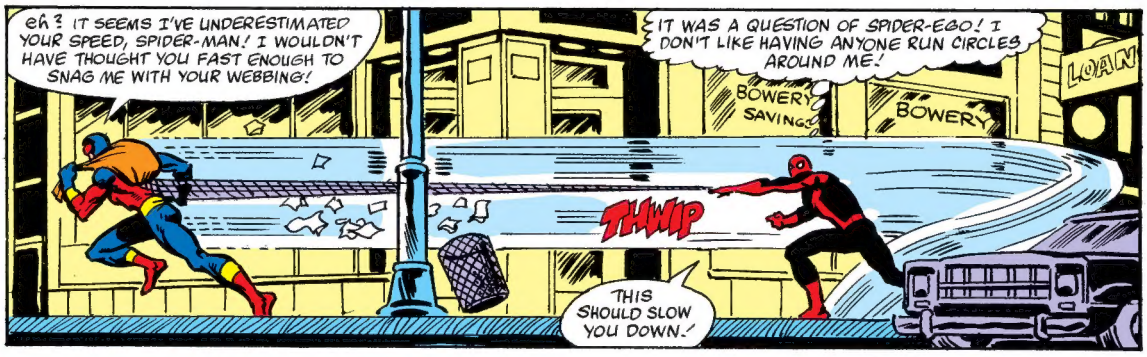

TALKED, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN? OF COURSE!
SOON THIS WHOLE CITY WILL BE SHOUTING IN AWE OF--
--THE SENSATIONAL SPEED DEMON!
PIZZA

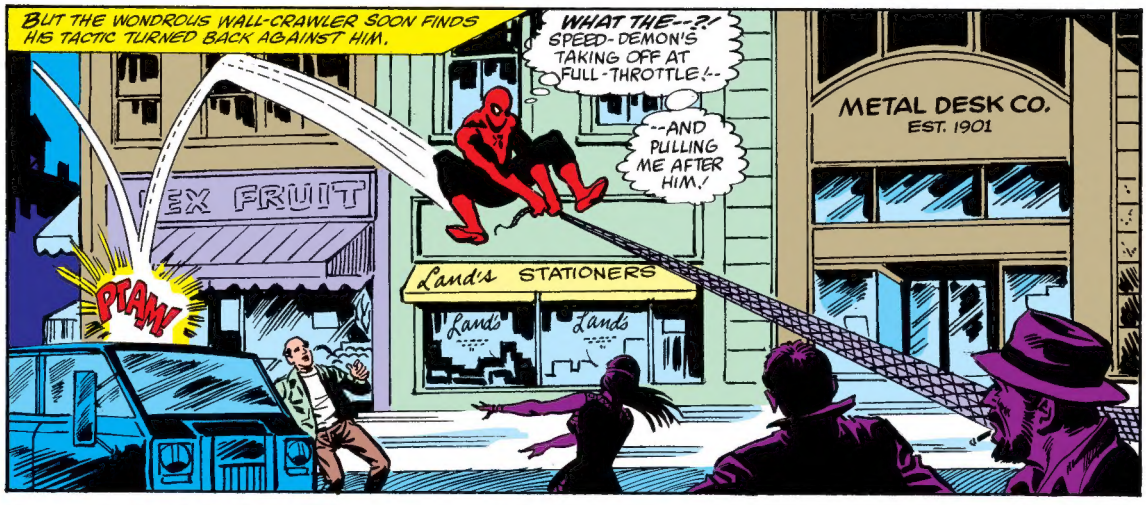

THANKS FOR THE PUBLIC-SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT, HOTFOOT! I'LL BE SURE TO BUY EARPLUGS!
SPIDER-MAN?!?
AH, THE PRICE OF FAME-- TO BE RECOGNIZED WHEREVER I GO!

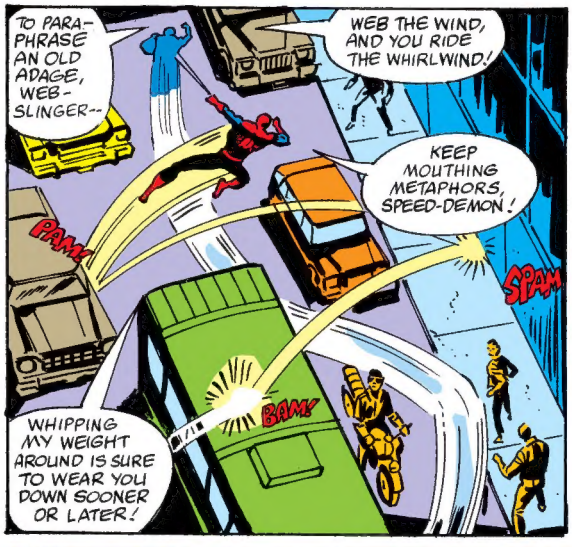

FAME IS THE NAME OF MY GAME, WALL-CRAWLER!
FAME AND FORTUNE!
I WANT BOTH--
--AND I'M FAST ENOUGH TO TAKE BOTH!

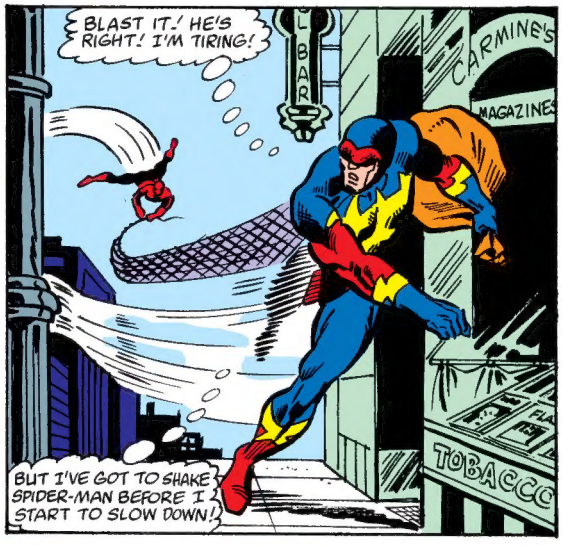

THE RADIOACTIVE SPIDER-BITE THAT GAVE ME MY POWERS ALSO SPEEDED UP MY SENSES! I CAN SEE SPEED DEMON MOVING-- BUT HE'S TOO FAST! I CAN'T SEEM TO LAY A GLOVE ON HIM!
I'D LIKE TO STAY AND WATCH YOU SHADOW-BOX YOUR-SELF INTO EXHAUSTION, WEB-SLINGER--

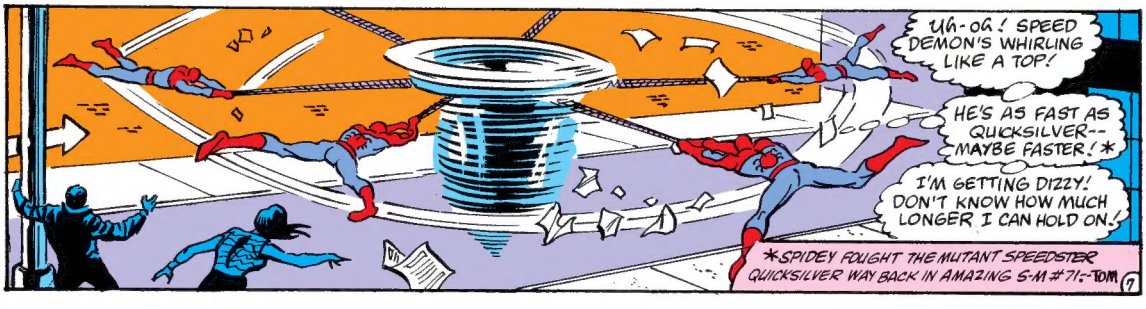

-- BUT I REALLY MUST BE GETTING ON HOME!
AFTER ALL, I HAVE ALL THESE CAMERAS TO FIND PROPER HOMES FOR!
ONE WAY
WALK
SO, IF YOU'LL PARDON ME-- I HAVE TO RUN!

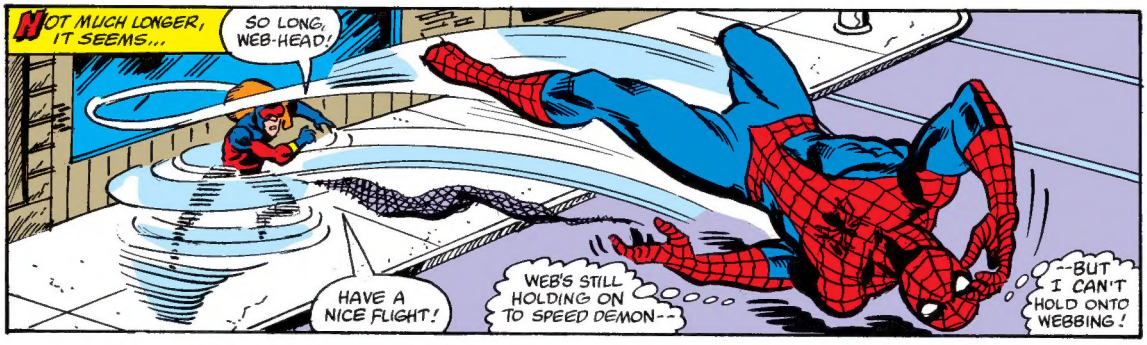

eh? IT SEEMS I'VE UNDERESTIMATED YOUR SPEED, SPIDER-MAN! I WOULDN'T HAVE THOUGHT YOU FAST ENOUGH TO SNAG ME WITH YOUR WEBBING!
IT WAS A QUESTION OF SPIDER-EGO! I DON'T LIKE HAVING ANYONE RUN CIRCLES AROUND ME!
BOWERY SAVINGS
BOWERY
LOAN
THWIP
THIS SHOULD SLOW YOU DOWN!

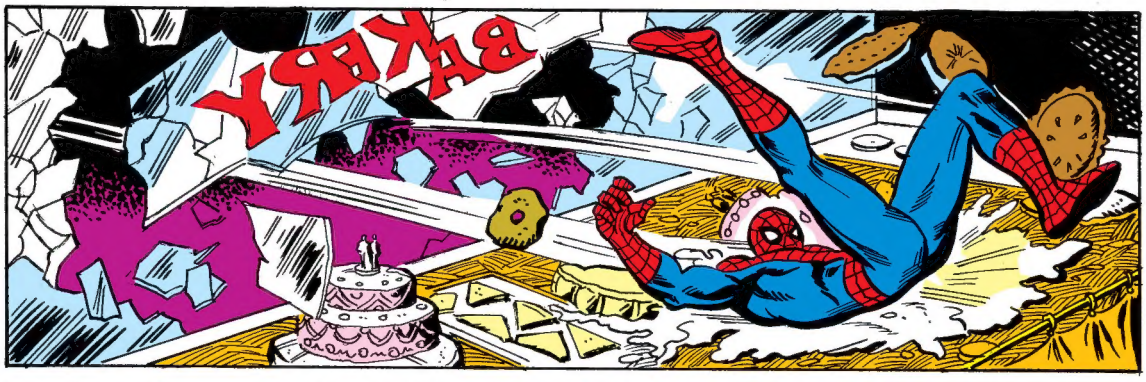

BUT THE WONDROUS WALL-CRAWLER SOON FINDS HIS TACTIC TURNED BACK AGAINST HIM.
WHAT THE--?! SPEED-DEMON'S TAKING OFF AT FULL-THROTTLE!--
--AND PULLING ME AFTER HIM!
METAL DESK CO.
EST. 1901
EX FRUIT
PTAM
Land's STATIONERS
Land's
Land's

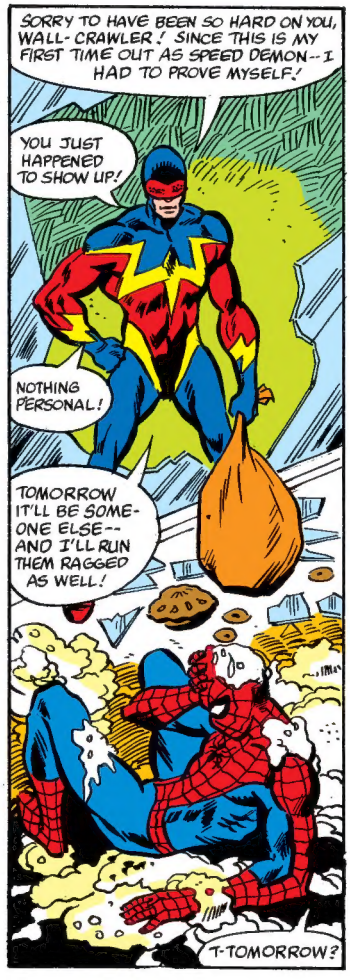

TO PARA-PHRASE AN OLD ADAGE, WEB-SLINGER--
WEB THE WIND, AND YOU RIDE THE WHIRLWIND!
KEEP MOUTHING METAPHORS, SPEED-DEMON!
PAM!
SPAM
BAM!
WHIPPING MY WEIGHT AROUND IS SURE TO WEAR YOU DOWN SOONER OR LATER!

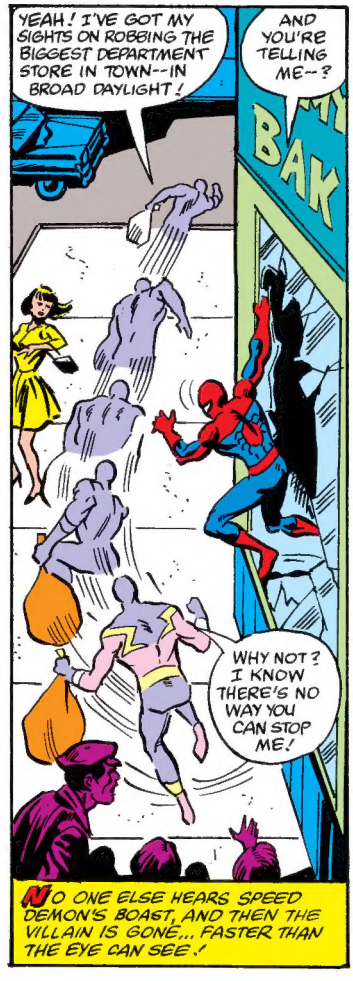

BLAST IT! HE'S RIGHT! I'M TIRING!
BAR
CARMINE'S
MAGAZINES
TOBACCO
BUT I'VE GOT TO SHAKE SPIDER-MAN BEFORE I START TO SLOW DOWN!

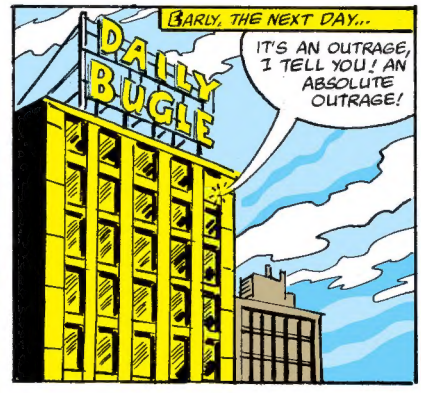

Uh-oh! SPEED DEMON'S WHIRLING LIKE A TOP!
HE'S AS FAST AS QUICKSILVER--MAYBE FASTER!*
I'M GETTING DIZZY! DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH LONGER I CAN HOLD ON!
*SPIDEY FOUGHT THE MUTANT SPEEDSTER QUICKSILVER WAY BACK IN AMAZING S-M #71:--TOM


NOT MUCH LONGER, IT SEEMS...
SO LONG, WEB-HEAD!
HAVE A NICE FLIGHT!
WEB'S STILL HOLDING ON TO SPEED DEMON--
--BUT I CAN'T HOLD ONTO WEBBING!

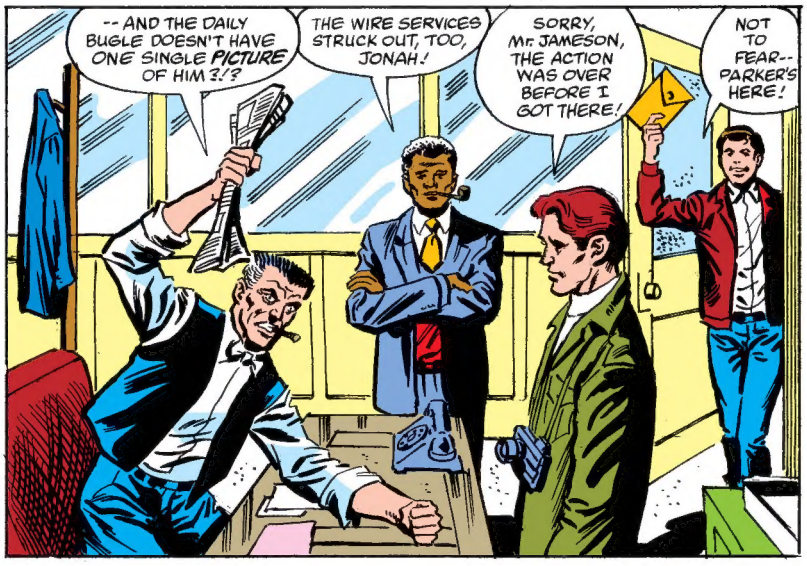

BAKERY

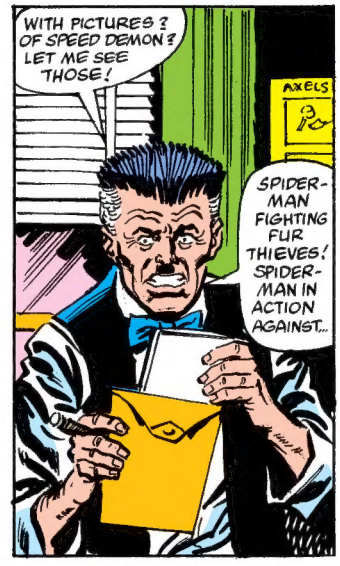

SORRY TO HAVE BEEN SO HARD ON YOU, WALL-CRAWLER! SINCE THIS IS MY FIRST TIME OUT AS SPEED DEMON--I HAD TO PROVE MYSELF!
YOU JUST HAPPENED TO SHOW UP!
NOTHING PERSONAL!
TOMORROW IT'LL BE SOMEONE ELSE--AND I'LL RUN THEM RAGGED AS WELL!
T-TOMORROW?

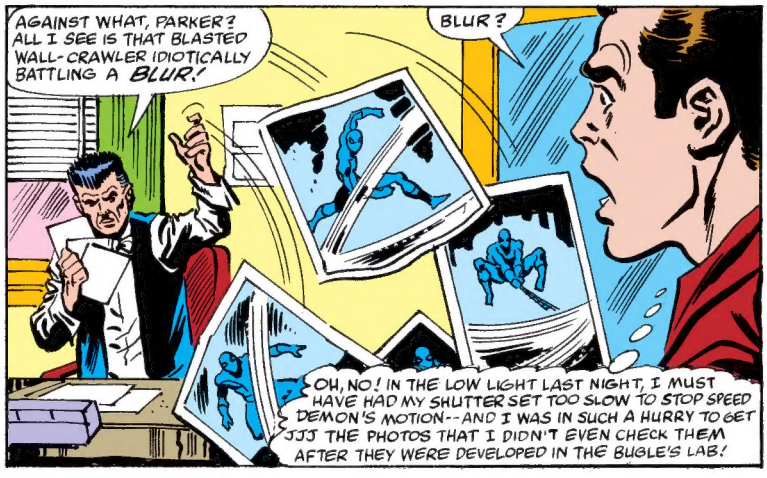

YEAH! I'VE GOT MY SIGHTS ON ROBBING THE BIGGEST DEPARTMENT STORE IN TOWN--IN BROAD DAYLIGHT!
AND YOU'RE TELLING ME--?
BAK
WHY NOT? I KNOW THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN STOP ME!
NO ONE ELSE HEARS SPEED DEMON'S BOAST, AND THEN THE VILLAIN IS GONE... FASTER THAN THE EYE CAN SEE!


LATER, THE NEXT DAY...
DAILY BUGLE
IT'S AN OUTRAGE, I TELL YOU! AN ABSOLUTE OUTRAGE!

DAILY BUGLE
SINISTER SPEEDSTER STRIKES AGAIN!!
A NEW SUPER-VILLAIN ROBS A CAMERA STORE AND FIGHTS SPIDER-MAN BEFORE DOZENS OF PHOTOGRAPHERS!


-- AND THE DAILY BUGLE DOESN'T HAVE ONE SINGLE PICTURE OF HIM ?!?
THE WIRE SERVICES STRUCK OUT, TOO, JONAH!
SORRY, Mr. JAMESON, THE ACTION WAS OVER BEFORE I GOT THERE!
NOT TO FEAR-- PARKER'S HERE!

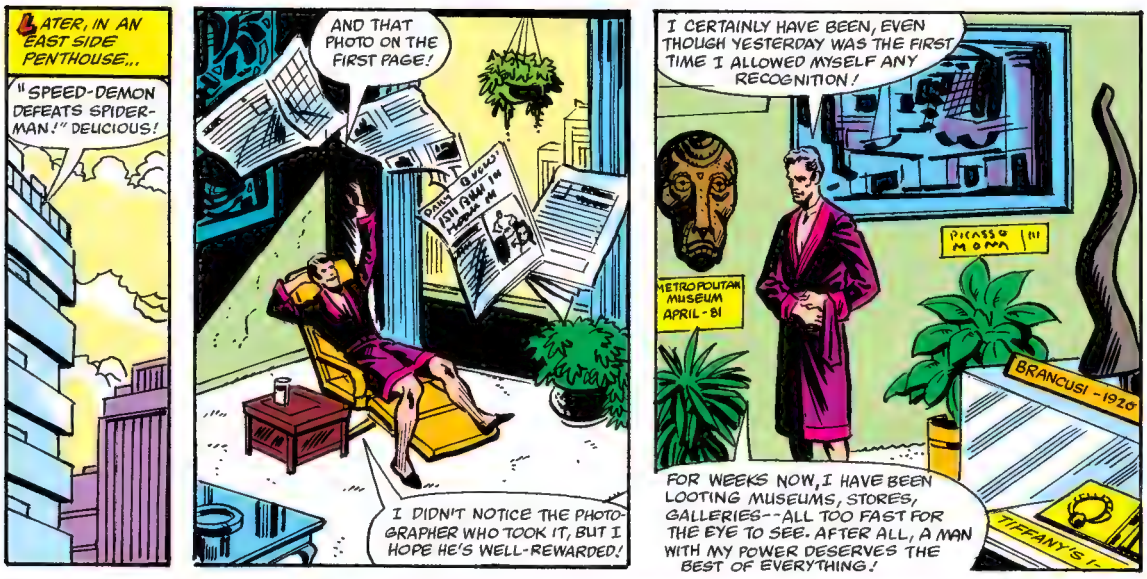

WITH PICTURES ? OF SPEED DEMON ? LET ME SEE THOSE!
AXELS
SPIDER-MAN FIGHTING FUR THIEVES! SPIDER-MAN IN ACTION AGAINST...


AGAINST WHAT, PARKER ? ALL I SEE IS THAT BLASTED WALL-CRAWLER IDIOTICALLY BATTLING A BLUR!
BLUR ?
OH, NO! IN THE LOW LIGHT LAST NIGHT, I MUST HAVE HAD MY SHUTTER SET TOO SLOW TO STOP SPEED DEMON'S MOTION--AND I WAS IN SUCH A HURRY TO GET JJJ THE PHOTOS THAT I DIDN'T EVEN CHECK THEM AFTER THEY WERE DEVELOPED IN THE BUGLE'S LAB!

WAIT! HERE'S ONE! PARKER, YOU'VE DONE IT!

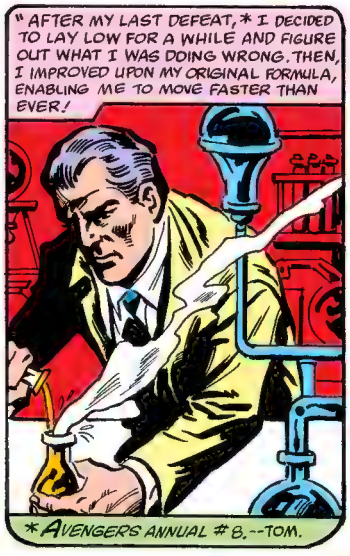
ROBERTSON, REMAKE PAGE ONE!
MISS GRANT, TELL THEM TO STOP THE PRESSES!
YOU MEAN YOU'RE RUNNING PETER'S PHOTO ?
YOU BET I AM ! GIVE THAT BOY A BONUS ! HE TOOK THE KIND OF PICTURE THAT'S MADE THIS NEWSPAPER FAMOUS!

YOU CERTAINLY DID, PETER!
CUTTING IN ON MY TERRITORY, PARKER? AND I THOUGHT YOU WERE THE GUY WHO TRIED TO MAKE SPIDER-MAN LOOK GOOD?!
I THOUGHT SO TOO, LANCE!
BUT SOMETIMES I'M MY OWN WORST ENEMY!

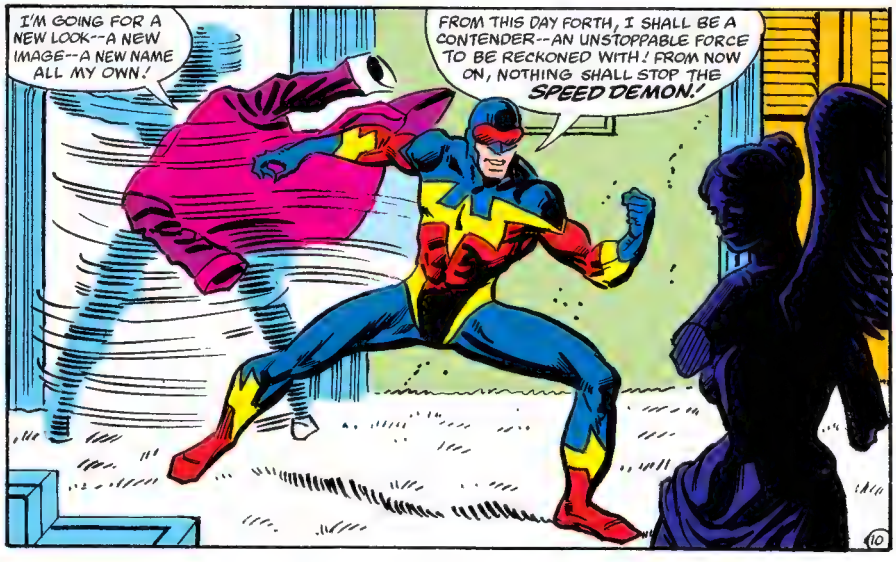

LATER, IN AN EAST SIDE PENTHOUSE...
"SPEED-DEMON DEFEATS SPIDER-MAN!" DELICIOUS!
AND THAT PHOTO ON THE FIRST PAGE!
I DIDN'T NOTICE THE PHOTOGRAPHER WHO TOOK IT, BUT I HOPE HE'S WELL-REWARDED!
I CERTAINLY HAVE BEEN, EVEN THOUGH YESTERDAY WAS THE FIRST TIME I ALLOWED MYSELF ANY RECOGNITION!
METROPOLITAN MUSEUM APRIL-81
PICASSO MOMA
BRANCUSI-1926
TIFFANY'S!
FOR WEEKS NOW, I HAVE BEEN LOOTING MUSEUMS, STORES, GALLERIES--ALL TOO FAST FOR THE EYE TO SEE. AFTER ALL, A MAN WITH MY POWER DESERVES THE BEST OF EVERYTHING!

I'M THROUGH WITH BEING A SECOND-RATER! EVER SINCE THAT COSMIC GAMESMAN, THE GRANDMASTER, APPEARED TO ME AND HELPED ME CONCOCT A SUPER-SPEED CHEMICAL, I KNEW I COULD NEVER GO BACK TO BEING A MERE CHEMIST!*
*AVENGERS #70.--TOM.

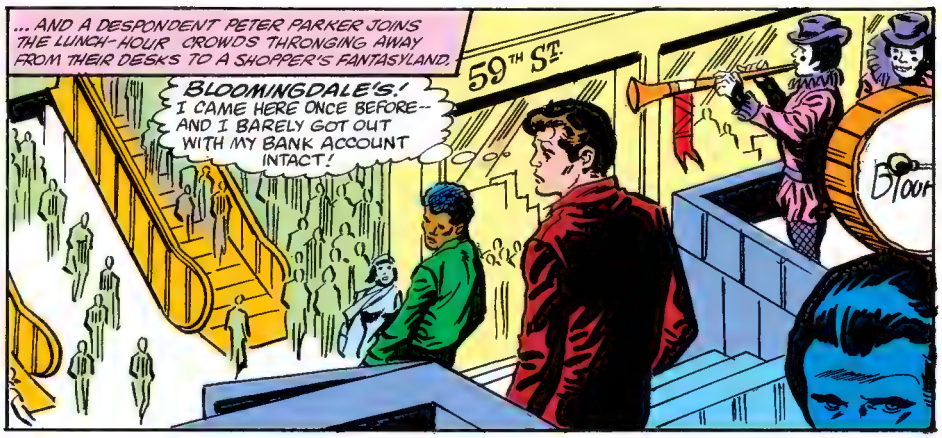
"BUT AS THE WHIZZER, A MEMBER OF THE SQUADRON SINISTER, I KEPT FINDING MYSELF ON THE LOSING END OF BATTLES WITH THE LIKES OF THE AVENGERS!


"AFTER MY LAST DEFEAT,* I DECIDED TO LAY LOW FOR A WHILE AND FIGURE OUT WHAT I WAS DOING WRONG. THEN, I IMPROVED UPON MY ORIGINAL FORMULA, ENABLING ME TO MOVE FASTER THAN EVER!
*AVENGERS ANNUAL #8.--TOM.

WITH MY NEW SPEED, I'M READY TO MAKE A CLEAN BREAK FROM THE PAST. LET THE ORIGINAL WHIZZER HAVE HIS NAME BACK.
APOLLO

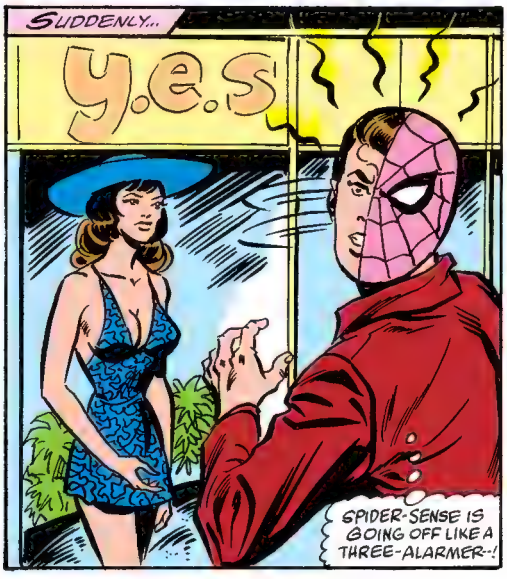

I'M GOING FOR A NEW LOOK--A NEW IMAGE--A NEW NAME ALL MY OWN!
FROM THIS DAY FORTH, I SHALL BE A CONTENDER--AN UNSTOPPABLE FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH! FROM NOW ON, NOTHING SHALL STOP THE SPEED DEMON!

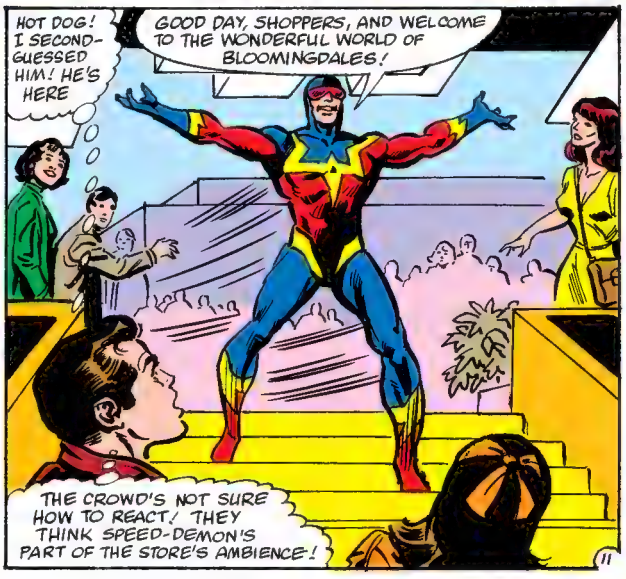
NOON...
Bloomingdale's


... AND A DESPONDENT PETER PARKER JOINS THE LUNCH-HOUR CROWDS THRONGING AWAY FROM THEIR DESKS TO A SHOPPER'S FANTASYLAND.
59TH ST.
BLOOMINGDALE'S! I CAME HERE ONCE BEFORE-- AND I BARELY GOT OUT WITH MY BANK ACCOUNT INTACT!

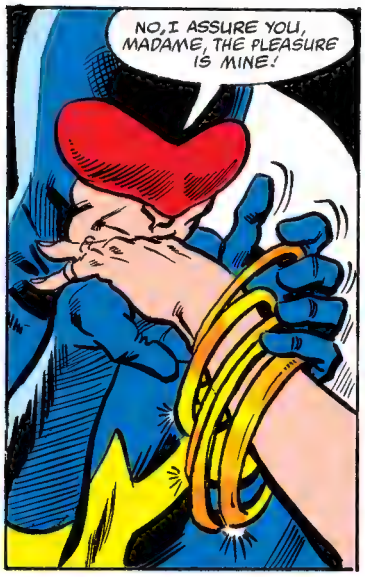
Chond
ANTI-FUNGUS SPRAY
IT'S ALL FLASH AND GLITTER-- MORE OF A STATE OF MIND THAN A STORE--AND IT ATTRACTS SOME OF THE RICHEST CLIENTELE IN THE CITY...
WHICH MAKES IT THE PERFECT PLACE FOR THE SPEED DEMON TO MAKE A STAB AT THE FAME HE'S AFTER--

YVES ST. LAWRENT
-- AS WELL AS RAKING IN A FORTUNE IN PLUNDER!
Young East Sider
CALV KLIN
DEVLON


SUDDENLY...
y.e.s
SPIDER-SENSE IS GOING OFF LIKE A THREE-ALARMER--!


HOT DOG! I SECOND-GUESSED HIM! HE'S HERE
GOOD DAY, SHOPPERS, AND WELCOME TO THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF BLOOMINGDALES!
THE CROWD'S NOT SURE HOW TO REACT. THEY THINK SPEED-DEMON'S PART OF THE STORE'S AMBIENCE!

Lexington AVENUE
AH, DEAR LADY-- ALL AGLITTER AND AGLOW. WELCOME.
OOH, MY PLEASURE, SIR!


NO, I ASSURE YOU, MADAME, THE PLEASURE IS MINE!

ALL MINE!
MY DIAMOND RINGS! MY GOLD NECKLACE AND BRACELETS! HE--HE STOLE THEM!
HELP!
NO HELP WILL BE FORTHCOMING, DEAR LADY--

-- FOR THERE IS NO ONE FAST ENOUGH TO STOP SPEED DEMON!

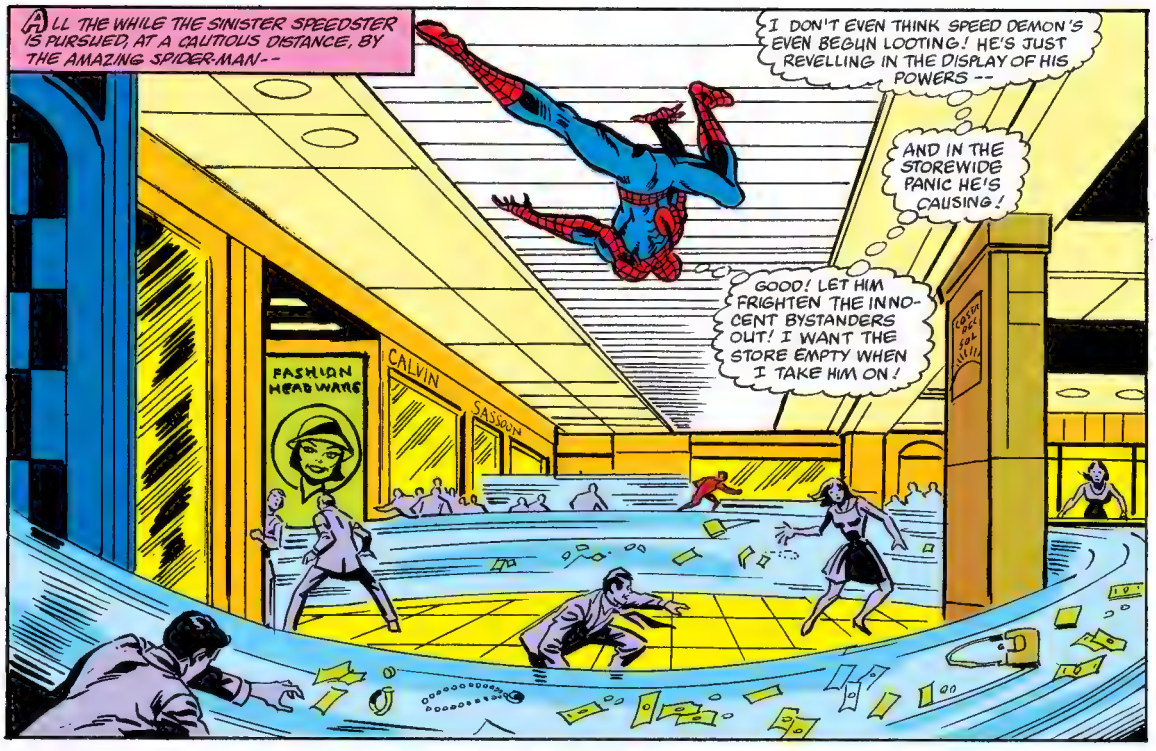
WATCHES, DIAMONDS, CASH...
... ALL ARE SWEPT UP BY SPEED DEMON BEFORE ANYONE CAN MAKE A MOVE TO STOP HIM!

ONLY PETER PARKER WAS AWARE OF THE IMPENDING ROBBERY-- AND EVEN HE HAS MOVED FAR TO SLOWLY TO PREVENT IT FROM TAKING PLACE...
YESTERDAY, I LEARNED THAT I COULDN'T BEAT SPEED DEMON AT HIS SUPER SPEED GAME--
HEY, DUDE! WAIT YOUR TURN!

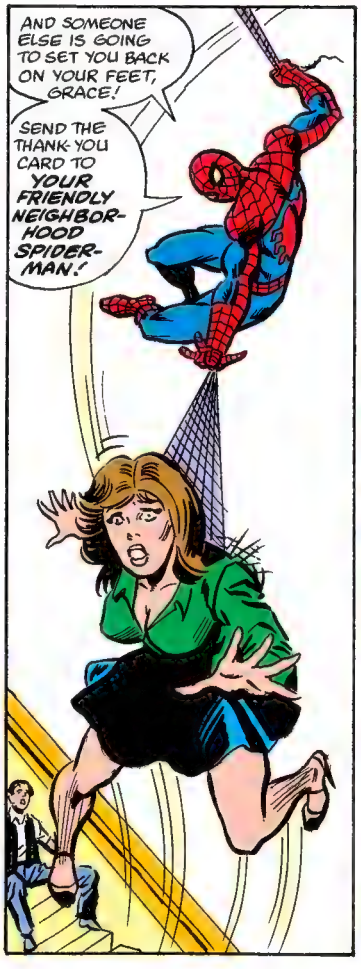
--SO I MADE SURE THAT I KNEW THE LAYOUT OF BLOOMINGDALES BEFORE HE GOT HERE! TODAY THAT SPEEDSTER WILL PLAY BY SPIDEY'S RULES!
CHANGING ROOMS
OH, WOW!
THAT PUNKER DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO SEE PETER PARKER'S FACE!

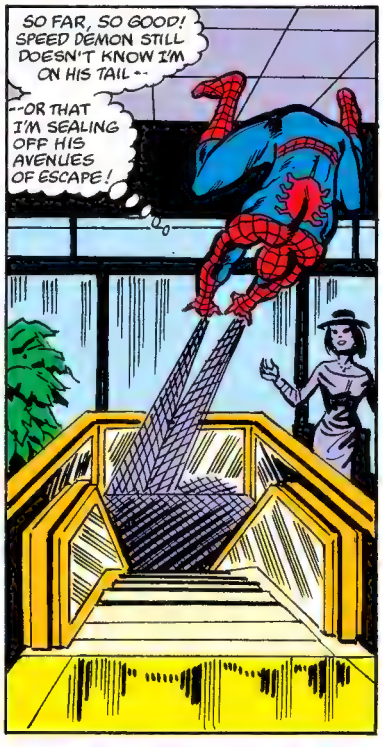
MEANWHILE...
PLAZA-2
ALAS, FAIR LASS--

PLAZA-2
OH!
--YOU DON'T HAVE "FUR" TO GO!
RACING UP THE DOWN ESCALATOR, SPEED DEMON REACHES THE SECOND FLOOR...

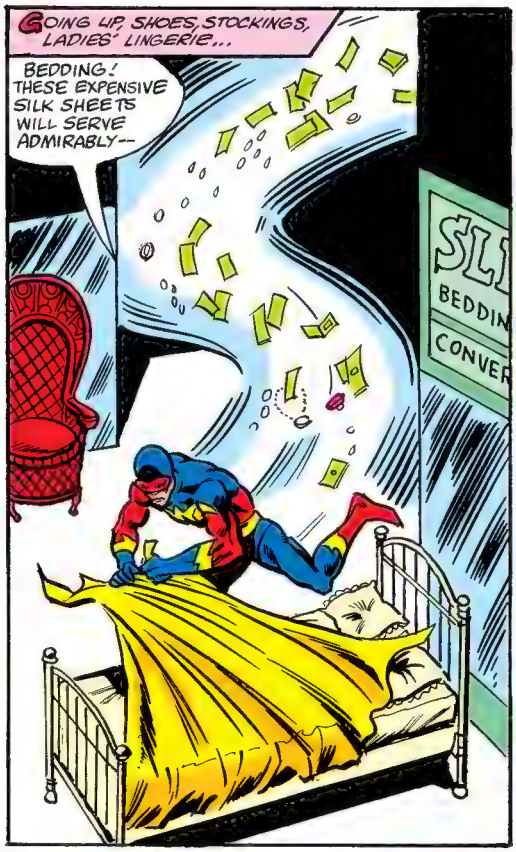

ALL THE WHILE THE SINISTER SPEEDSTER IS PURSUED, AT A CAUTIOUS DISTANCE, BY THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN--
I DON'T EVEN THINK SPEED DEMON'S EVEN BEGUN LOOTING! HE'S JUST REVELLING IN THE DISPLAY OF HIS POWERS --
AND IN THE STOREWIDE PANIC HE'S CAUSING!
GOOD! LET HIM FRIGHTEN THE INNOCENT BYSTANDERS OUT! I WANT THE STORE EMPTY WHEN I TAKE HIM ON!
FASHION HEAD WEARS
CALVIN
SASSOON

BUT I DON'T WANT ANYONE HURT IN THE STAMPEDE!
GRACE!
BOBBY, SOMETHING SHOVED ME ASIDE! I'M FALLING!

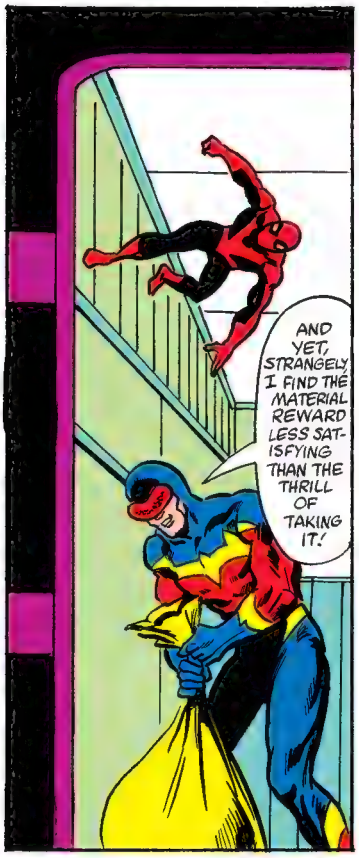

AND SOMEONE ELSE IS GOING TO SET YOU BACK ON YOUR FEET, GRACE!
SEND THE THANK-YOU CARD TO YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD SPIDER-MAN!

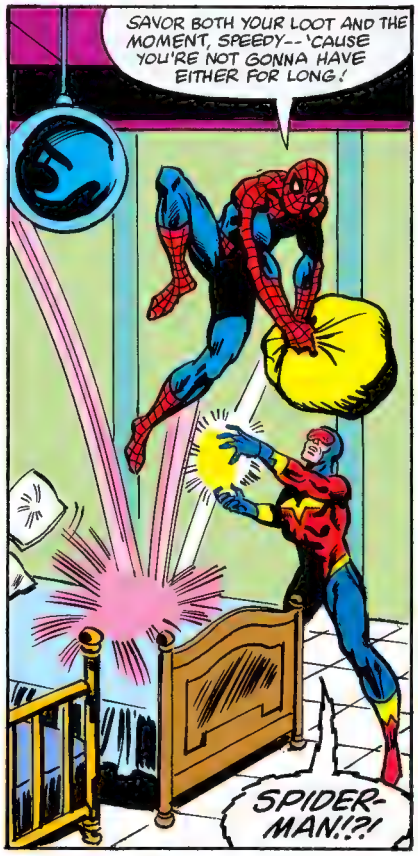

SO FAR, SO GOOD! SPEED DEMON STILL DOESN'T KNOW I'M ON HIS TAIL --
--OR THAT I'M SEALING OFF HIS AVENUES OF ESCAPE!

BUT HE'LL LEARN SOON ENOUGH!

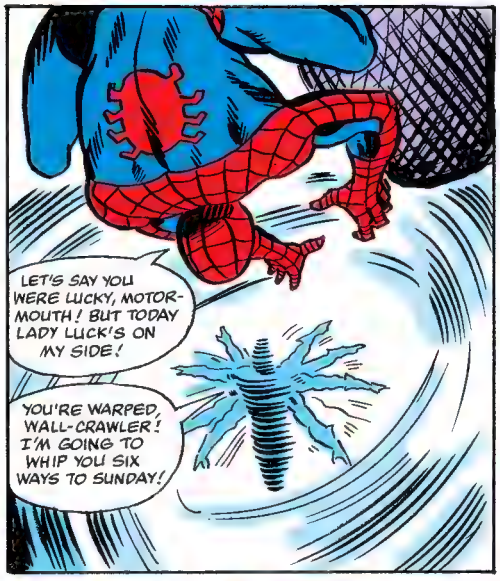

GOING UP, SHOES, STOCKINGS, LADIES' LINGERIE...
BEDDING! THESE EXPENSIVE SILK SHEETS WILL SERVE ADMIRABLY--
BEDDIN
CONVER

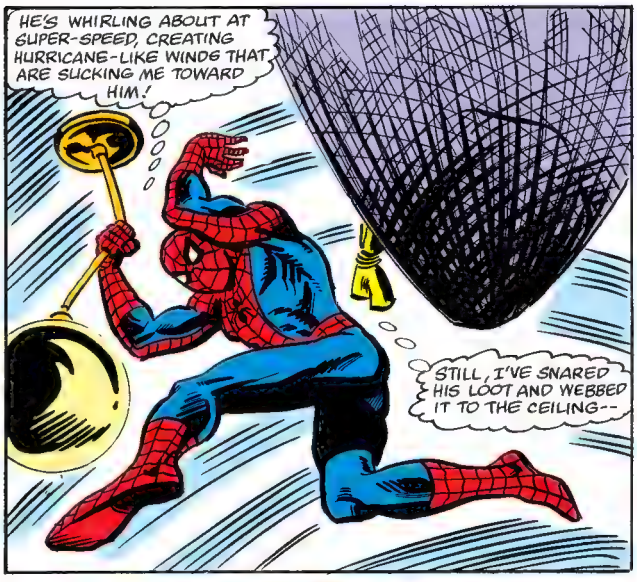
--AS A CATCH-ALL FOR MY ILL-GOTTEN GAINS!
WHAT HAVE I SWEPT UP AFTER ME? DIAMONDS! RUBIES! RARE WATCHES AND TIFFANY GLASS! THE STUFF OF WHICH MY DREAMS ARE MADE!

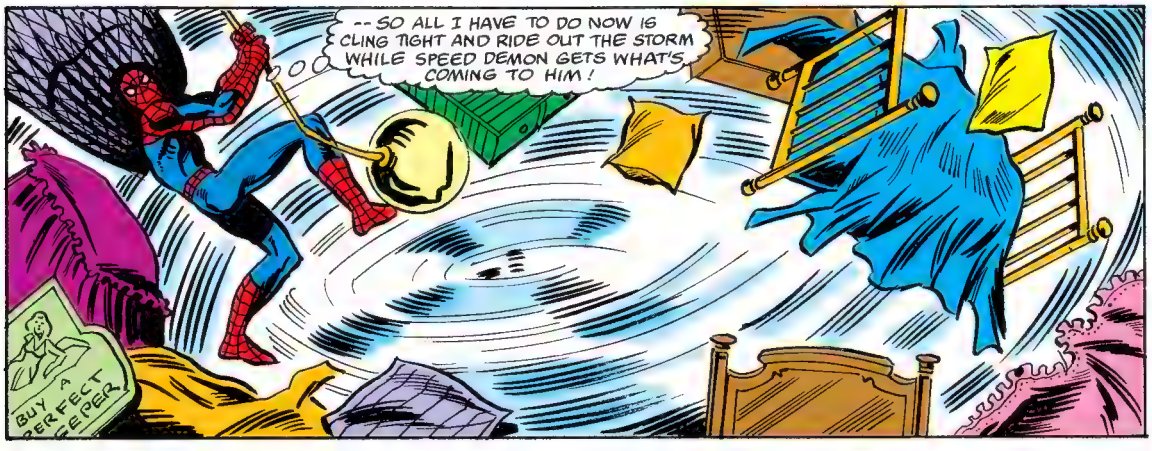

AND YET, STRANGELY I FIND THE MATERIAL REWARD LESS SATISFYING THAN THE THRILL OF TAKING IT!


SAVOR BOTH YOUR LOOT AND THE MOMENT, SPEEDY-- 'CAUSE YOU'RE NOT GONNA HAVE EITHER FOR LONG!
SPIDER-MAN!?!

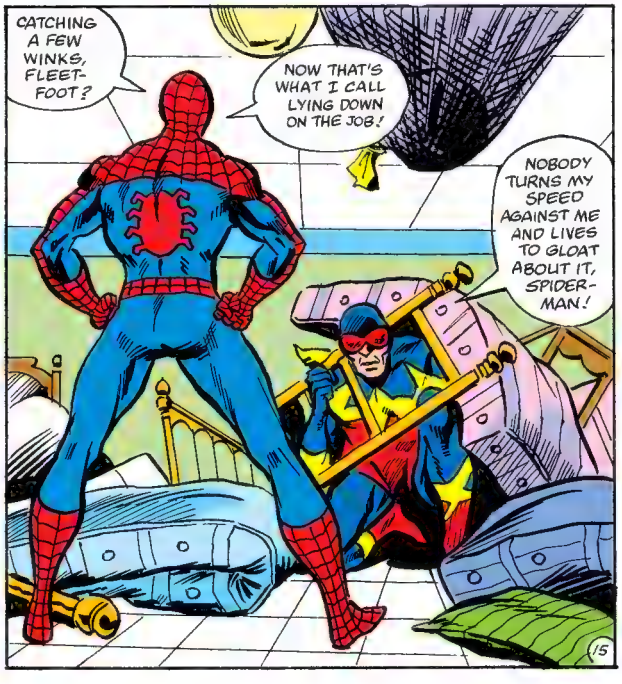
YOU BET! YOU PLAYED ME FOR A SUCKER YESTERDAY! I WANT A REMATCH!
YOU MUST BE A GLUTTON FOR PUNISHMENT, WALL-CRAWLER! I RAN YOU INTO THE GROUND ONCE, AND I CAN DO IT AGAIN!

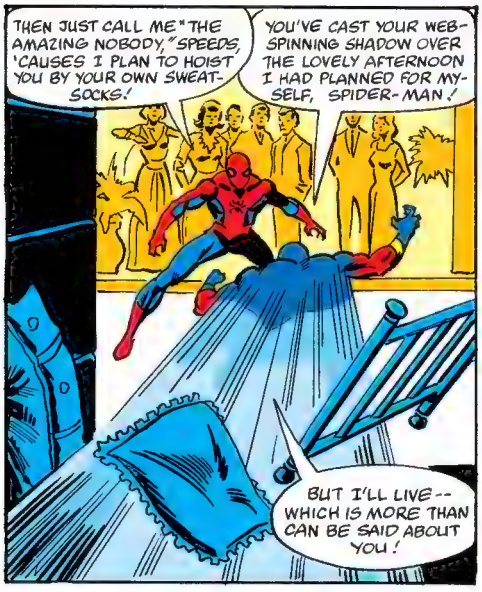

LET'S SAY YOU WERE LUCKY, MOTOR-MOUTH! BUT TODAY LADY LUCK'S ON MY SIDE!
YOU'RE WARPED, WALL-CRAWLER! I'M GOING TO WHIP YOU SIX WAYS TO SUNDAY!

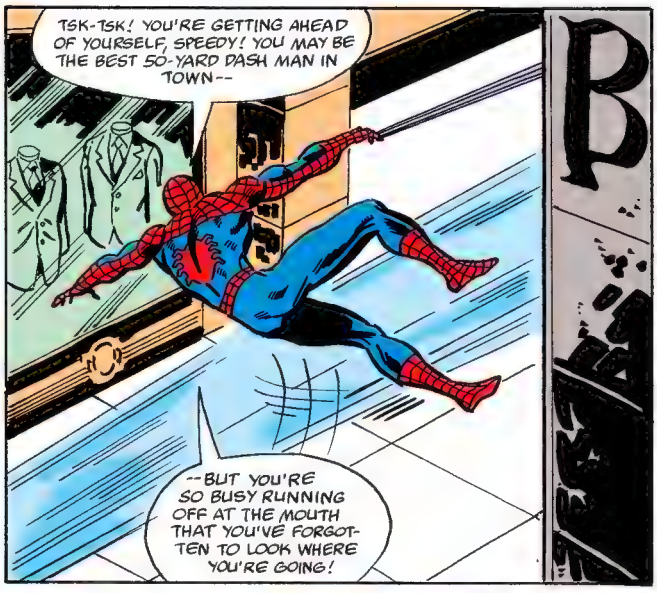

HE'S WHIRLING ABOUT AT SUPER-SPEED, CREATING HURRICANE-LIKE WINDS THAT ARE SUCKING ME TOWARD HIM!
STILL, I'VE SNARED HIS LOOT AND WEBBED IT TO THE CEILING--

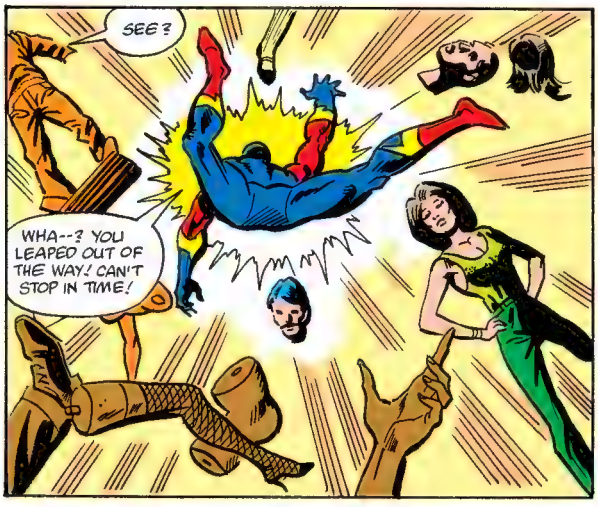

--SO ALL I HAVE TO DO NOW IS CLING TIGHT AND RIDE OUT THE STORM WHILE SPEED DEMON GETS WHAT'S COMING TO HIM!

SWEPT OFF THE DEPARTMENT STORE FLOOR BY THE SPEED DEMON'S HIGH-VELOCITY VORTEX-- PILLOWS, BEDS, AND MATTRESSES ARE DRAWN TOWARDS THE CENTER OF THE MAN-MADE STORM...
...UNTIL THEY PILE INTO THE VERY MAN WHO MADE IT.

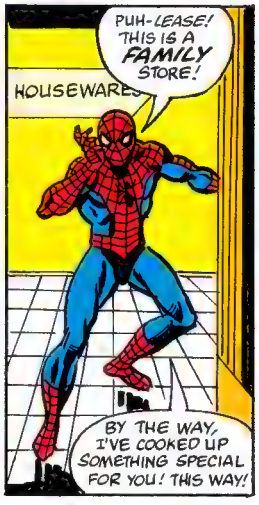

CATCHING A FEW WINKS, FLEET-FOOT?
NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL LYING DOWN ON THE JOB!
NOBODY TURNS MY SPEED AGAINST ME AND LIVES TO GLOAT ABOUT IT, SPIDER-MAN!


THEN JUST CALL ME "THE AMAZING NOBODY," SPEEDS, 'CAUSES I PLAN TO HOIST YOU BY YOUR OWN SWEAT-SOCKS!
YOU'VE CAST YOUR WEB-SPINNING SHADOW OVER THE LOVELY AFTERNOON I HAD PLANNED FOR MY-SELF, SPIDER-MAN!
BUT I'LL LIVE -- WHICH IS MORE THAN CAN BE SAID ABOUT YOU!


TSK-TSK! YOU'RE GETTING AHEAD OF YOURSELF, SPEEDY! YOU MAY BE THE BEST 50-YARD DASH MAN IN TOWN--
--BUT YOU'RE SO BUSY RUNNING OFF AT THE MOUTH THAT YOU'VE FORGOTTEN TO LOOK WHERE YOU'RE GOING!

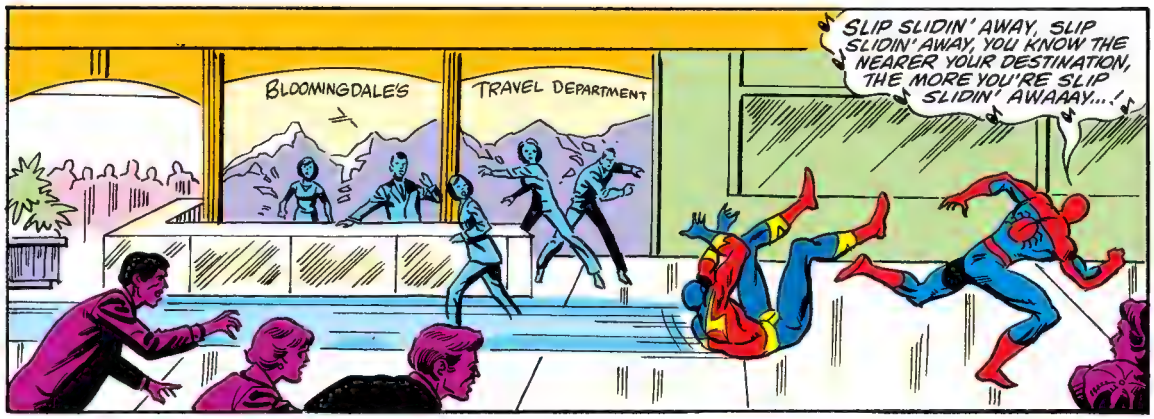

SEE?
WHA--? YOU LEAPED OUT OF THE WAY! CAN'T STOP IN TIME!

CURSE YOU, SPIDER-MAN...!

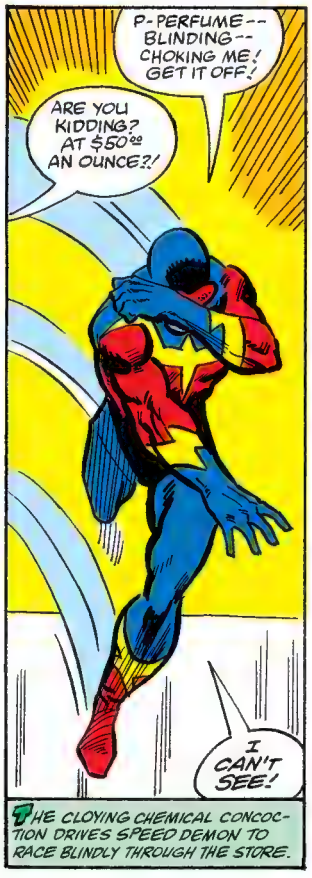

PUH-LEASE! THIS IS A FAMILY STORE!
HOUSEWARES
BY THE WAY, I'VE COOKED UP SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR YOU! THIS WAY!

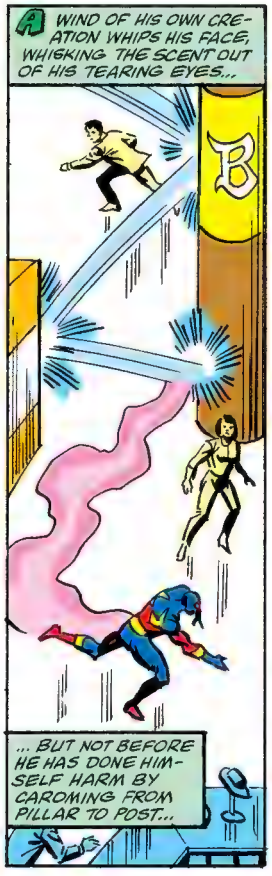
WHAT--?
OH, JUST A LITTLE GEAR GREASE TO KEEP THOSE FLASHING FEET OF YOURS ON THE GO!
KITCHENWARES

I'M SLIDING! CAN'T GET ANY TRACTION!
REALLY? NOW ISN'T THAT REMARKABLE! I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT A FAST FELLOW LIKE YOU WOULD BE MORE SURE-FOOTED--
--"OIL" THE TIME!
OLIVE OI


BLOOMINGDALE'S
TRAVEL DEPARTMENT
SLIP SLIDIN' AWAY, SLIP SLIDIN' AWAY, YOU KNOW THE NEARER YOUR DESTINATION, THE MORE YOU'RE SLIP SLIDIN' AWAAAY...!

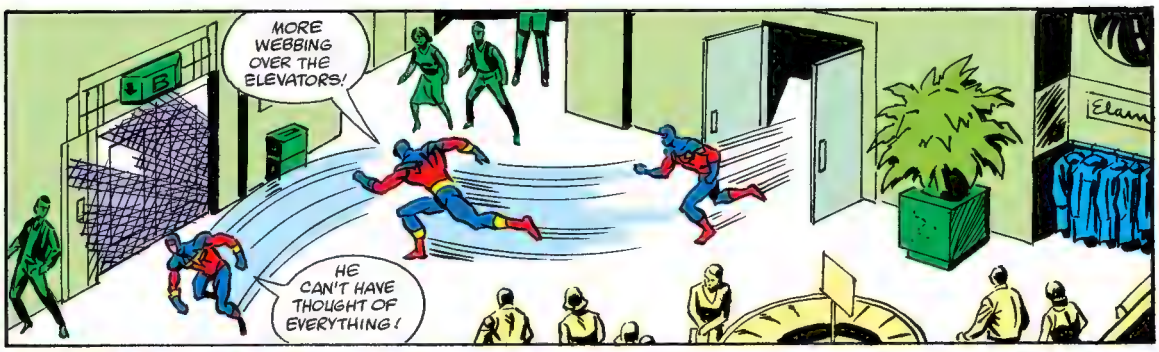
YOU'RE CRAZY, YOU KNOW THAT?
ONCE I CATCH MY BREATH--
I'VE BEEN MEANING TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT YOUR BREATH!
IT NEEDS SWEETENING! HERE, LET ME SEE IF THIS WILL DO THE TRICK!
ON COSMETIC BAR

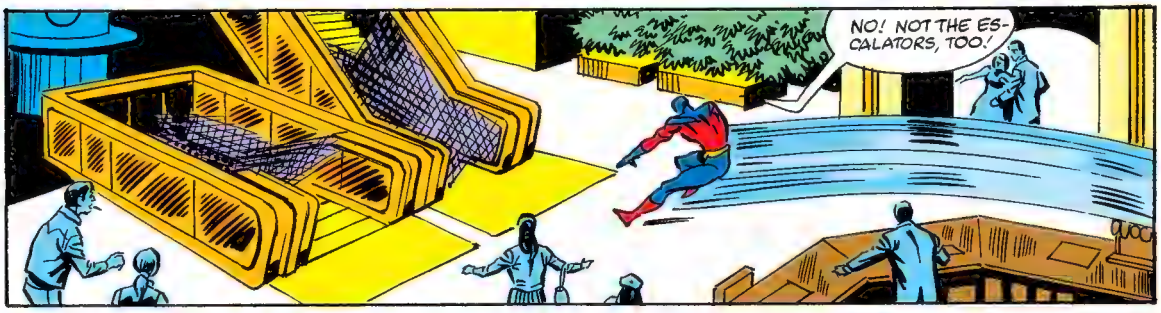

P-PERFUME-- BLINDING-- CHOKING ME! GET IT OFF!
ARE YOU KIDDING? AT $50.00 AN OUNCE?!
I CAN'T SEE!
THE CLOYING CHEMICAL CONCOCTION DRIVES SPEED DEMON TO RACE BLINDLY THROUGH THE STORE.

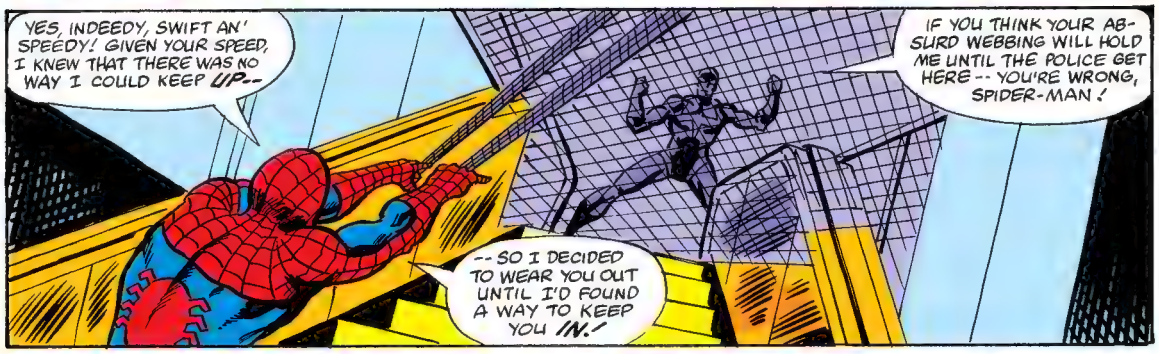

A WIND OF HIS OWN CREATION WHIPS HIS FACE, WHISKING THE SCENT OUT OF HIS TEARING EYES...
B
... BUT NOT BEFORE HE HAS DONE HIMSELF HARM BY CAROMING FROM PILLAR TO POST...

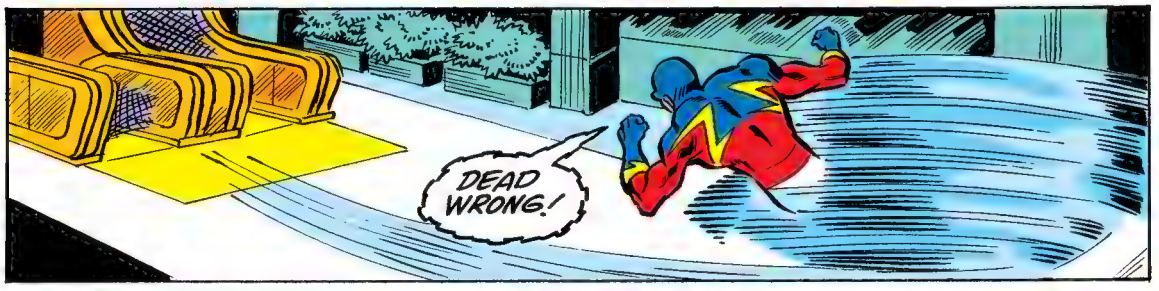
FINALLY, REALIZING THAT THE POLICE MUST BE WELL ON THEIR WAY, SPEED DEMON DECIDES THAT HE WHO STRIKES AND RUNS AWAY...
EXIT
...MAY LIVE TO RUN ANOTHER DAY!
GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE!

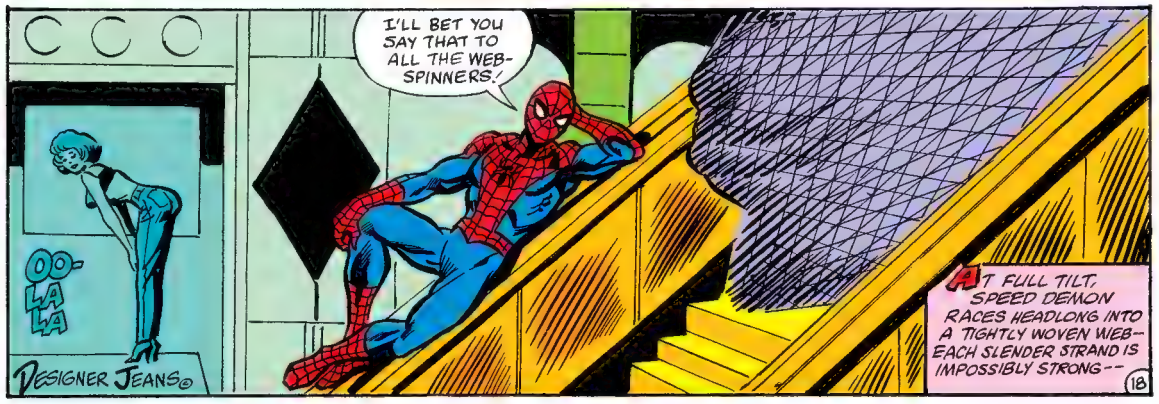
BUT, IT SEEMS THE SINISTER SPEEDSTER'S AVENUE OF ESCAPE HAS BEEN ANTICIPATED!
WEBBING BLOCKING THE STAIRWELL!
SPIDER-MAN'S WEBBING!

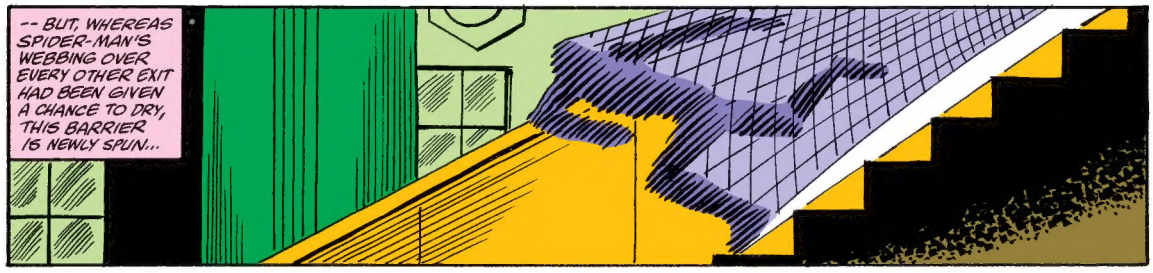

MORE WEBBING OVER THE ELEVATORS!
HE CAN'T HAVE THOUGHT OF EVERYTHING!

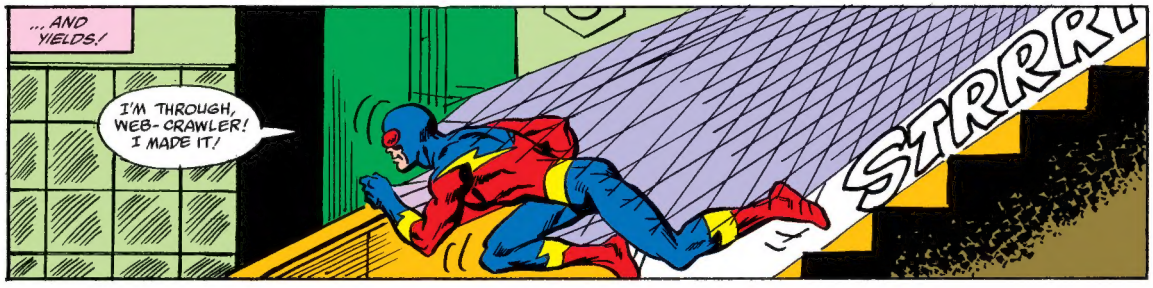

NO! NOT THE ES-CALATORS, TOO!

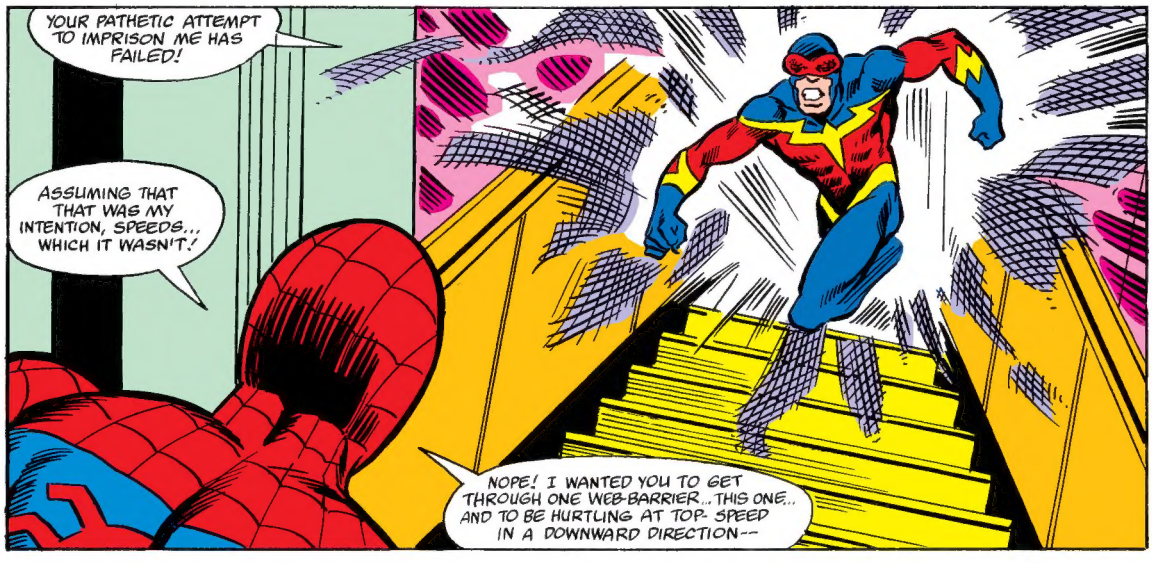

YES, INDEEDY, SWIFT AN' SPEEDY! GIVEN YOUR SPEED, I KNEW THAT THERE WAS NO WAY I COULD KEEP UP--
IF YOU THINK YOUR AB-SURD WEBBING WILL HOLD ME UNTIL THE POLICE GET HERE -- YOU'RE WRONG, SPIDER-MAN!
-- SO I DECIDED TO WEAR YOU OUT UNTIL I'D FOUND A WAY TO KEEP YOU IN!

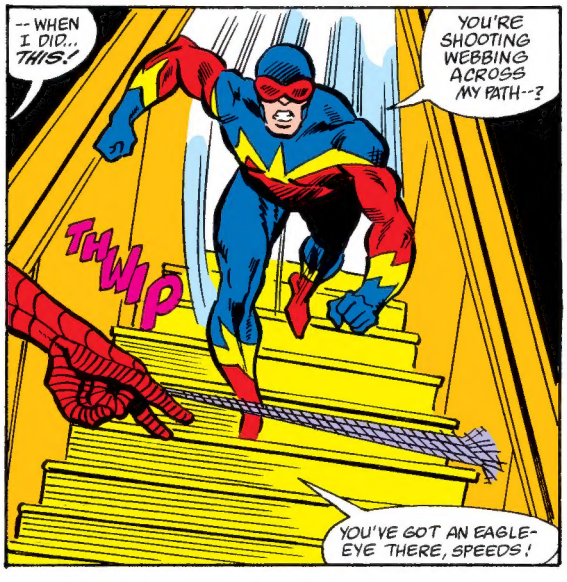

DEAD WRONG!

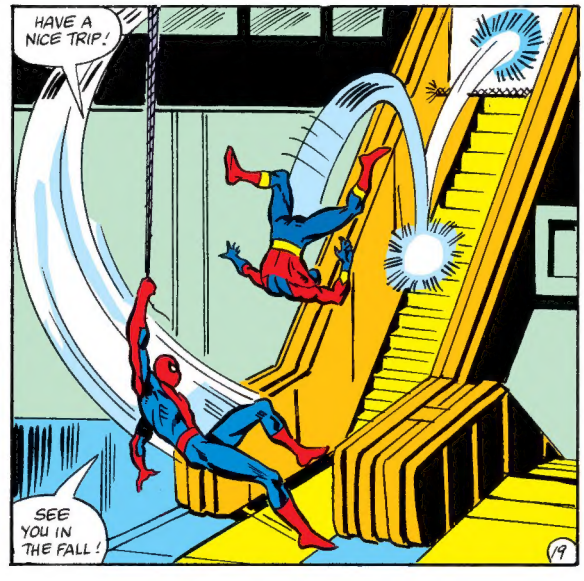

I'LL BET YOU SAY THAT TO ALL THE WEB-SPINNERS!
OO-LA LA
DESIGNER JEANS©
AT FULL TILT, SPEED DEMON RACES HEADLONG INTO A TIGHTLY WOVEN WEB-- EACH SLENDER STRAND IS IMPOSSIBLY STRONG--


-- BUT, WHEREAS SPIDER-MAN'S WEBBING OVER EVERY OTHER EXIT HAD BEEN GIVEN A CHANCE TO DRY, THIS BARRIER IS NEWLY SPUN...


... AND YIELDS!
I'M THROUGH, WEB-CRAWLER! I MADE IT!
STRRRK!

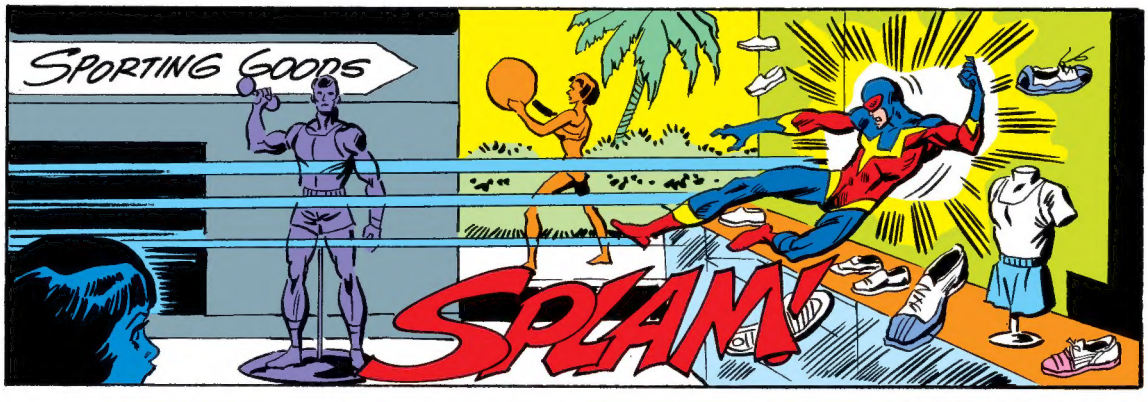

YOUR PATHETIC ATTEMPT TO IMPRISON ME HAS FAILED!
ASSUMING THAT THAT WAS MY INTENTION, SPEEDS... WHICH IT WASN'T!
NOPE! I WANTED YOU TO GET THROUGH ONE WEB-BARRIER... THIS ONE... AND TO BE HURTLING AT TOP-SPEED IN A DOWNWARD DIRECTION--


-- WHEN I DID... THIS!
YOU'RE SHOOTING WEBBING ACROSS MY PATH--?
THWIP
YOU'VE GOT AN EAGLE-EYE THERE, SPEEDS!

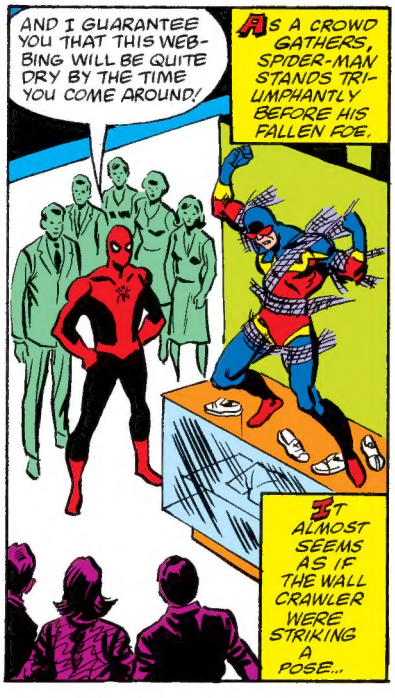

HAVE A NICE TRIP!
SEE YOU IN THE FALL!

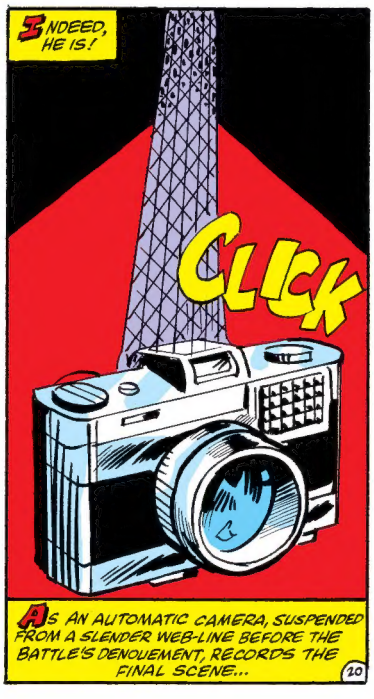
SEEMS YOUR SUPER-SPEED DOESN'T DO YOU MUCH GOOD WHEN YOU'RE TUMBLING HEAD-OVER-HEELS THROUGH THE AIR!
IN FACT, MAYBE YOU SHOULD TRADE IN YOUR SNEAKERS FOR WINGS--

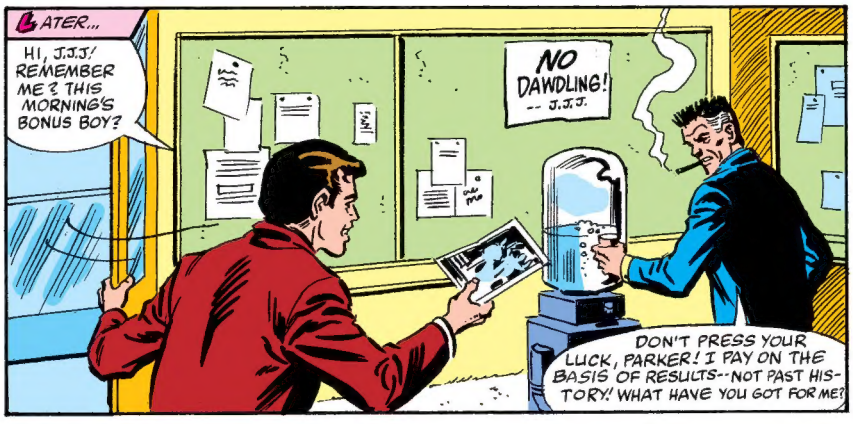
--'CAUSE HERE'S WHERE I SEND YOU FLYING!
SPOK!


SPORTING GOODS
SPLAM!

ACED AMONG THE adidas®!
POETIC JUSTICE, IF YOU ASK ME!
BUT YOU DIDN'T! YOU'RE OUT COLD!

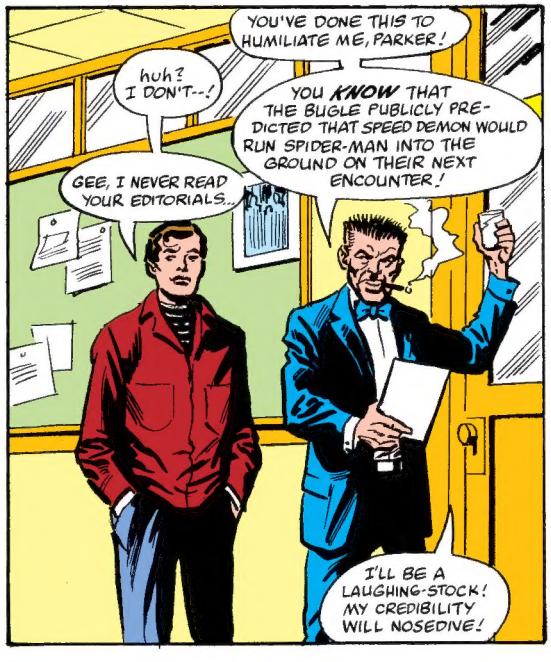

AND I GUARANTEE YOU THAT THIS WEB-BING WILL BE QUITE DRY BY THE TIME YOU COME AROUND!
AS A CROWD GATHERS, SPIDER-MAN STANDS TRI-UMPHANTLY BEFORE HIS FALLEN FOE.
IT ALMOST SEEMS AS IF THE WALL CRAWLER WERE STRIKING A POSE...


INDEED, HE IS!
CLICK
AS AN AUTOMATIC CAMERA, SUSPENDED FROM A SLENDER WEB-LINE BEFORE THE BATTLE'S DENOUEMENT, RECORDS THE FINAL SCENE...


LATER...
HI, J.J.J! REMEMBER ME? THIS MORNING'S BONUS BOY?
NO DAWDLING! -- J.J.J.
DON'T PRESS YOUR LUCK, PARKER! I PAY ON THE BASIS OF RESULTS--NOT PAST HISTORY! WHAT HAVE YOU GOT FOR ME?

RESULTS, JOLLY J!

THE ULTIMATE JOGGER
SPIDER-MAN--STANDING SMUGLY TRIUMPHANT OVER THE SPEED-DEMON?!


YOU'VE DONE THIS TO HUMILIATE ME, PARKER!
huh? I DON'T--!
YOU KNOW THAT THE BUGLE PUBLICLY PREDICTED THAT SPEED DEMON WOULD RUN SPIDER-MAN INTO THE GROUND ON THEIR NEXT ENCOUNTER!
GEE, I NEVER READ YOUR EDITORIALS...
I'LL BE A LAUGHING-STOCK! MY CREDIBILITY WILL NOSEDIVE!

HONEST, JONAH, I NEVER MEANT...
OH, YES YOU DID, PARKER! UNDERNEATH YOUR SHY, RETIRING FACADE--
--YOU'RE A SADIST WHO'S OUT TO GET ME!
YOU KNOW, JJJ--YOU MAY BE RIGHT!
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